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(Johnson, Dean)

H.F. 968 (Juhnke)



### **Executive Summary of Commission Staff Materials**

Affected Pension Plan(s): Volunteer Fire Plans and Ambulance Service Longevity Award Program

Relevant Provisions of Law: Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10

General Nature of Proposal: Increase in Volunteer Fire Supplemental Lump Sum Benefits, Extension of

These Benefits to Ambulance Service Longevity Award Recipients

March 7, 2001 Date of Summary:

### Specific Proposed Changes

- Increase In Lump Sum Supplemental Benefits To Volunteer Firefighters. The lump sum supplemental benefit would be increased from 10 percent of the primary benefit to 20 percent, not to exceed \$2,000, rather than \$1,000.
- Extension Of Supplemental Lump Sum Benefit To Ambulance Service Longevity Award Recipients. Recipients of Ambulance Service Longevity Awards wold be eligible to receive same lump sum supplemental benefit as volunteer firefighters.

### Policy Issues Raised by the Proposed Legislation

- 1. Need For Change. The issue is whether there is a sufficient need to increase the supplemental benefits as proposed in these bills or in any similar manner.
- 2. General Benefit Design Issues. The volunteer fire lump sum benefit and supplemental benefit combine to provide a total benefit. The issue is whether that total benefit, as funded and paid through a combination of the volunteer fire plan and the supplemental lump sum benefit reimbursed by the state, reflects good plan design. The supplemental benefit is terminally funded, which is a costly way to provide the benefit. Also, the supplemental benefit under the proposed legislation would increase from 10 percent to 20 percent of the primary benefit. That is a significant portion of the total benefit to be determined outside of the flexible service pension maximum system.
- 3. Specific Benefit Design Issues. For volunteer fire plans, the supplemental benefit would increase from 10 percent of the primary benefit to 20 percent, capped at \$2,000 rather than \$1,000. The issue is whether 20 percent and \$2,000 are the appropriate new limits. Regarding the volunteer ambulance service and part-time ambulance service personnel, the issues are whether it is appropriate to include them in this supplemental lump sum benefit system, and if they are included, whether the lump sum percentage and caps should be the same for that group as for the volunteer firefighters.
- 4. Cost. As of this writing, we do not have a fiscal impact note on this proposal, but the impact is likely to be in excess of \$300,000 annually.
- 5. Rabbi Trust Issues. The issue is whether providing the supplemental lump sum benefit to ambulance service longevity award recipients will create tax deferral problems for participants in that system.

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### LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT



TO:

Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

FROM:

Ed Burek, Deputy Director

RE:

S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke): Ambulance Service Personnel and Volunteer Fire

Relief Associations: Increase Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Supplemental Benefit Amounts; Create

Ambulance Service Supplemental Benefits

DATE:

March 6, 2001

### Summary

S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke): Ambulance Service Personnel and Volunteer Fire Relief Associations: Increase Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Supplemental Benefit Amounts; Create Comparable Ambulance Service Supplemental Benefits, amends Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, the volunteer fire supplemental lump sum benefit provision, by increasing the volunteer fire lump sum benefit from ten percent of the primary lump sum benefit not to exceed \$1,000, to 20 percent of the primary lump sum benefit not to exceed \$2,000, and by creating a comparable supplemental lump sum benefit payable to recipients of ambulance service longevity awards.

### Background on Ambulance Service Longevity Awards

The 1993 Legislature established the Ambulance Service Longevity Incentive Program (ASLIP) to improve retention of personnel in volunteer and part-time ambulance services throughout the state. The program bears some similarity to a pension program, being modeled after an arrangement called a Rabbi Trust. Under a Rabbi Trust arrangement, assets are allocated to an asset pool or trust, but an individual's access to a distribution is not guaranteed, at least not in the specific year in which it is requested, accounts may not have a specified value, and trust fund assets could be used to satisfy payment requirements to general creditors of the state.

The establishing of ASLIP in 1993 followed an unsuccessful effort a few years earlier to create a public pension program covering applicable ambulance service personnel. Before 1993 there had been efforts to add ambulance service personal to volunteer fire plan coverage, but that effort met with resistance. The 1991 Legislature then tried to establish provisions under PERA administration to provide some form of pension coverage for applicable volunteer and part-time ambulance service individuals. Coverage provisions for the applicable individuals passed the Legislature in 1991, through revisions to PERA's existing Defined Contribution Plan, but upon PERA's recommendation, language was added which authorized PERA to delay implementation. PERA indicated that a delay was necessary to provide time to determine whether the new provisions would receive tax exempt status, or whether PERA administration of the new plan provisions might jeopardize the tax qualification of other PERA plans. It is unclear how seriously PERA pursued these issues. After a few years, the PERA provisions were deemed to be inoperative and the Legislature pursued the Rabbi Trust approach in 1993.

Under the 1993 provisions, an ambulance service personnel longevity incentive award program was established. Eligible individuals were ambulance attendants, drivers, and medical directors or medical advisors who were earning less than \$3,000 annually from the ambulance service activity (with indexing over time); who served through licensed ambulance services in Minnesota; and were certified as members in good standing. A trust fund was established, funded through any appropriation made to the trusts, a \$1 million annual transfer from the excess police state aid holding account, and investment earnings on the trust fund. The fund is managed by the State Board of Investment (SBI). Investment earnings and cash inflows are allocated to member accounts each year. In the initial allocations, some consideration was given to past service to allow a larger portion of allocations to be given to those individuals who had already supplied some years of service.

When a qualified ambulance service person is at least age 50, has provided at least five years of eligible service, terminates from service, and is among applicants, not to exceed 400, applying for a longevity service award during the year, the individual is eligible for an award. The award is the total amount of the person's accumulations under the trust fund as of the most recent August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Background on Volunteer fire Plans and the Volunteer Fire Supplemental Lump Sum Benefit (Under Section 424A.10, Subdivision 2).

LCPR members were provided with some background on the more than 700 volunteer fire plans in the state, and the existing supplemental lump sum benefit provision for volunteer firefighters, when the LCPR considered S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg): Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Plans; Increase in Maximum Supplemental Benefit, on March 5, 2001. A copy of the LCPR staff memo is attached, since some of the background and the attachments to that memo may be helpful for the current consideration of S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke).

In the LCPR staff memo for S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg), and in my comments at the meeting, I indicated staff's belief that the volunteer fire lump sum supplemental benefit (ten percent of the primary lump sum benefit, with a cap in current law of \$1,000) was enacted in 1988 as a legislative effort to offset the impact of federal tax law which applies a ten percent tax penalty, in addition to any other taxes payable on a lump sum distribution, for distributions received before an individual is age 59 and one-half. Based on discussion after the meeting with various individuals who were involved in the efforts to enact that 1988 legislation, it appears that I may have been incorrect regarding the motivation for the 1988 legislation. Those conversations suggest that the 1988 legislation stems from a change in Minnesota tax law, enacted in the late 1980s, which caused Minnesota public pensions to be taxable under Minnesota law. Given the relatively modest level of volunteer fire pensions, at least as of the late 1980s, the 1988 enactment of the volunteer fire lump sum supplemental benefit may have been intended to offset the impact of that new Minnesota taxation, so that the new tax treatment did not discourage individuals from providing volunteer fire services.

If the 1988 volunteer fire lump sum supplemental benefit law, which was coded as Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, was intended to offset the effect of new Minnesota law which began taxing pension benefits, some of the targeting issues mentioned in the March 2, 2001 LCPR staff memo for S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg) are not relevant. For instance, I raised an issue of whether it was appropriate to provide supplemental lump sum benefits to individuals who draw benefits after age 59 and one-half, since they would not be subject to the federal ten-percent penalty tax. To the extent that the underlying concern was Minnesota income taxation and not a federal early withdrawal penalty tax, the age 59-and-one-half issue is not relevant.

What is relevant, however, is the more general purpose of the lump sum supplemental benefit, both as it exists in current law and as it would be amended under S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke), or S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg). The lump sum supplemental benefit is currently ten percent of the primary supplemental benefit. Given that Minnesota income tax rates vary with income, but are all at or below an eight percent marginal tax rate, the present law may not be well specified to offset Minnesota income tax effects. If either S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke), or S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg) were to become law, the provision of law would be sufficiently altered so that any connection to its original purpose can be considered to be severed.

For purposes of considering S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke), it may be more fruitful to focus not on relationships to tax law, but on whether the proposed changes are appropriate in the context of volunteer fire benefits, and volunteer and part-time ambulance service benefits. Among issues raised by the bills are questions of whether the increases are needed, how the increases should be designed, and basic efficiency issues. Regarding efficiency issues, we note that when pension funds receive funding on a regular basis (bi-weekly, monthly, or even annually) investment returns on the fund generate sufficient assets over time to cover two-thirds or more of the benefits eventually paid. At the current time, volunteer fire plans receive funds once per year, perhaps more often, which are invested to meet the benefits paid from the plan. While it has been documented that many volunteer fire relief associations have disappointing investment returns, the asset growth due to investments is not insignificant. In current law, when a primary benefit is paid in a lump sum to a volunteer firefighter, that firefighter also receives an additional benefit equal to ten percent of the primary benefit, not to exceed \$1,000. Although paid by the relief association, the relief association is reimbursed in the following year for all supplemental benefits paid. In effect, the state is paying the supplemental lump sum portion of the total benefit through terminal funding. Paying any portion of the total benefit through terminal funding is an expensive way to finance the benefit. It is covered by current tax dollars. The potential to have much of the cost of the supplemental benefit covered by investment returns over time is lost.

The same efficiency concern occurs with the ambulance service supplemental benefit proposed in S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke). The primary benefit a terminating volunteer or part-time ambulance service will receive is determined by the individual's share of assets allocated to the trust fund over time, as invested by SBI. Some portion of the new total benefit - the supplemental lump sum payment proposed in S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke) - will be met through terminal funding, funded by state appropriation.

### **Discussion**

S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke): Ambulance Service Personnel and Volunteer Fire Relief Associations: Increase Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Supplemental Benefit Amounts; Create Comparable Ambulance Service Supplemental Benefits, amends Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, the volunteer fire supplemental lump sum benefit provision, by increasing the volunteer fire lump sum benefit from ten percent of the primary lump sum benefit not to exceed \$1,000, to 20 percent of the primary lump sum benefit not to exceed \$2,000, and by creating a comparable supplemental lump sum benefit payable to recipients of ambulance service longevity awards.

Pension policy issue raised by the proposal are:

<u>Need for change.</u> The issue is whether there is a sufficient need to increase the supplemental benefits, as proposed in these bills, or in any similar manner. The LCPR may hear testimony regarding whether there is a problem

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attracting and retaining volunteers or part-time individuals in fire service or ambulance service at current benefit levels which would warrant an increase in benefits as proposed in this legislation.

General benefit design issues. The volunteer fire lump sum benefit and supplemental benefit combine to provide a total benefit. The issue is whether that total benefit, as funded and paid through a combination of the volunteer fire plan and the supplemental lump sum benefit reimbursed by the state, reflects good plan design. As noted in the text, the supplemental benefit is terminally funded. Over the longer term, the Legislature may wish to reconsider that structure. The Legislature may also wish to consider the extent to which the supplemental lump sum benefit, particularly if increased as proposed in this legislation, has the effect of circumventing or undermining the flexible service pension maximums process specified in existing law (Section 424A.02, Subdivision 3). The supplemental benefit, under the proposed legislation, would increase from 10 percent to 20 percent of the primary benefit. That is a significant portion of the total benefit to be determined outside of the flexible service pension maximum system.

Specific benefit design issues. There are few specific benefit design issues for the LCPR to consider. For volunteer fire plans, the supplemental benefit would increase from 10 percent of the primary benefit to 20 percent, capped at \$2,000 rather than \$1,000. Increasing the dollar cap will increase the totals that can be paid in many cases. The percentage increase amounts to a doubling of the supplemental benefit, which is a substantial increase, particularly for the smaller plans where the supplemental benefit paid did not hit either the existing or new proposed dollar cap. Regarding the volunteer ambulance service and part-time ambulance service personnel, the issues are whether it is appropriate to include them in this supplemental lump sum benefit system, and if they are included, whether the lump sum percentage and caps should be the same for that group as for the volunteer firefighters, as proposed in this legislation.

Cost. The issue is the cost of the proposal. The existing supplemental lump sum benefit program is financed by state appropriation. S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke) would significantly increase the amount required to cover lump sum supplemental benefits paid to volunteer firefighters, and the proposal would establish a comparable system for volunteer and part-time ambulance service personnel. As of this writing, LCPR staff is not aware of a fiscal note for this legislation. The fiscal note for S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg), was \$300,000 per year. Those bills were limited to volunteer firefighters and would have increased the maximum supplemental benefit to \$2,500, but would have kept the computation at ten percent of the primary benefit. Given the changes proposed in current law under S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke) (the supplemental benefit would be 20 percent of the primary benefit, rather than 10 percent, with a new dollar cap of \$2,000, rather than \$2,500 as proposed in Scheevel, Rifenberg bills, with comparable new benefits to be provided for volunteer and part-time ambulance personnel) we assume a minimum cost for S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke) of \$300,000 per year.

Rabbi Trust issues. As noted in the text, the ASLIP system for volunteer and part-time ambulance service personnel was drafted using a Rabbi Trust concept to provide tax deferral. It is LCPR staff's opinion that the supplemental lump sum provisions proposed for ASLIP-covered individuals in S.F. 1129 (Johnson, Dean); H.F. 968 (Juhnke) will not result in tax deferral problems, or in any manner jeopardize the existing ASLIP system. However, the Legislature may wish to have other staff comment on this issue if the LCPR recommends that this proposal should pass, and the bill is referred to tax or budget committees.

Amendments. Attached are three amendments for your consideration. The first is administrative. LCPR01-26 provides clarifying language to better identify the eligible recipients of the lump sum supplemental benefits and adds an effective date. The effective date in the amendment is January 1, 2002, to coincide with the start of the calendar and fiscal year for volunteer fire plans. If the LCPR prefers another date, that could be done by verbal amendment to the amendment. LCPR01-27 is a substantive amendment which the LCPR could adopt if the LCPR concludes that the supplement benefit should remain at ten percent of the primary benefit (and be set at ten percent for the new benefit for the ASLIP members), but the maximum dollar benefit should be set at a level different than \$1,000. LCPR01-28 is also a substantive amendment, an alternative to LCPR01-27, and would set the percent at a level other than ten percent and would reset the dollar limit, with both amounts to be inserted through verbal amendments. If the LCPR wishes to consider a proposal that does not include ASLIP, and would make changes only for the volunteer fire plans, the LCPR may wish to reconsider S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg), and potential amendments to that proposal.

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- (e) For a relief association in which the governing bylaws provide for a monthly benefit service pension as an alternative form of service pension payment to a lump sum service pension, the maximum service pension amount for each pension payment type must be determined using the applicable table contained in this subdivision.
- (f) If a relief association establishes a service pension in compliance with the applicable maximum contained in paragraph (c) or (d) and the minimum average amount of available financing per active covered firefighter is subsequently reduced because of a reduction in fire state aid or because of an increase in the number of active firefighters, the relief association may continue to provide the prior service pension amount specified in its bylaws, but may not increase the service pension amount until the minimum average amount of available financing per firefighter under the table in paragraph (c) or (d), whichever applies, permits.
- (g) No relief association is authorized to provide a service pension in an amount greater than the largest applicable flexible service pension maximum amount even if the amount of available financing per firefighter is greater than the financing amount associated with the largest applicable flexible service pension maximum.
- Subd. 3a. Penalty for paying pension greater than applicable maximum. (a) If a relief association pays a service pension greater than the maximum service pension associated with the applicable average amount of available financing per active covered firefighter under the table in subdivision 3, paragraph (c) or (d), whichever applies, the maximum service pension under subdivision 3, paragraph (f), or the applicable maximum service pension amount specified in subdivision 3, paragraph (g), whichever is less, the state auditor shall:
- (1) disqualify the municipality or the nonprofit firefighting corporation associated with the relief association from receiving fire state aid by making the appropriate notification to the municipality and the commissioner of revenue, with the disqualification applicable for the next apportionment and payment of fire state aid; and
- (2) recover the amount of the overpaid service pension or pensions from any retired firefighter who received an overpayment.
- (b) Fire state aid amounts from disqualified municipalities for the period of disqualifications under paragraph (a), clause (1), must be credited to the amount of fire insurance premium tax proceeds available for the next subsequent fire state aid apportionment.
- (c) The amount of any overpaid service pension recovered under paragraph (a), clause (2), must be credited to the amount of fire insurance premium tax proceeds available for the next subsequent fire state aid apportionment.
- (d) The determination of the state auditor that a relief association has paid a service pension greater than the applicable maximum must be made on the basis of the information filed by the relief association and the municipality with the state auditor under sections 69.011, subdivision 2, and 69.051, subdivision 1 or 1a, whichever applies, and any other relevant information that comes to the attention of the state auditor. The determination of the state auditor is final. An aggrieved municipality, relief association, or person may appeal the determination under section 480A.06.
- Subd. 4. Defined contribution lump sum service pensions. If the bylaws governing the relief association so provide exclusively, the relief association may pay a defined

contribution lump sum service pension in l governed by subdivision 2. An individual acc of the relief association shall be established be credited a right to an equal share of: (a) the relief association; (b) any amounts association raised from levies on real estat exclusive of fire state aid; and (c) any amou special fund to the credit of: (1) any former the fire department to which the relief asse minimum service requirement provided for active service with the fire department for any retired member who retired prior to ot amounts credited to the individual member applicable provision of the bylaws of the re investment income earned on the assets proportion to the share of the assets of the member account. At the time of retirer applicable provision of the bylaws of the re entitled to that portion of the assets of the the individual member account which is no any applicable provision of the bylaws of th years of service to the credit of the retiring 1

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Subd. 6. Payment of service pensions; service pensions shall be applied uniforml shall be given for all years of active service, No service pension shall be paid to any pension shall be entitled to receive any of special fund of a relief association or a special fund of a relief association to any service pension or ancillary benefits shall be tion, or other legal process, except as proving person entitled to a service pension or relief association may assign any service per the association have the authority to recognic has been assigned.

- Subd. 7. **Deferred service pensions.** (a) this section applies is entitled to a deferred
- (1) has completed the lesser of the midepartment specified in the bylaws or department:
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TO:

Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

FROM:

Edward Burek, Deputy Director

RE:

S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg): Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Plans; Increase in

Maximum Supplemental Benefit

DATE:

March 2, 2001

### Summary

S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg): Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Plans; Increase in Maximum Supplemental Benefit, increases the maximum permitted lump sum volunteer fire supplemental benefit from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

### Background on the Volunteer Fire Lump Sum Supplemental Benefit

These bills would amend Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, Subdivision 2, the mandated supplemental lump sum benefit payable in addition to a lump sum pension or distribution from a volunteer firefighter relief association, by increasing the maximum supplemental benefit amount from \$1,000 to \$2,500. This section in statutes was enacted in 1988 as part of that legislative session's tax bill. The 1988 Legislature mandated that volunteer firefighter relief associations that pay a lump sum service pension to a retiring volunteer firefighter must also pay a supplemental benefit to that firefighter, equal to ten percent of the lump sum service pension payable to retiring members, but not to exceed \$1,000.

Our understanding is that the supplemental benefit in current Minnesota volunteer fire law was intended to reimburse retiring volunteer firefighters for a ten percent federal income tax surcharge imposed on individuals who receive lump sum distributions from pension plans prior to age 59 and one-half. Presumably, the federal tax provision was intended to encourage individuals to avoid withdrawing assets from a retirement plan until a reasonable retirement age was reached. Assets withdrawn at relatively young ages are more likely to be used for non-retirement purposes.

Information from State Auditor report provides an indication of the number of relief associations paying lump sum pensions, and the approximate percentage of these relief associations that pay pensions sufficiently large that a supplemental benefit, if it is payable, is capped. The most recent published (December, 2000) compilation of volunteer firefighter relief association information by the Office of the State Auditor indicates that there are 706 volunteer firefighter relief associations. Of that total, 593 (84 percent) pay lump sum defined benefit service pensions, 85 (12 percent) pay lump sum defined contribution service pensions, and 23 (3 percent) pay a combination of lump sum or monthly benefit defined benefit service pensions. There are five plans which pay monthly service pensions. In 1999, lump sum service pensions paid by relief associations (defined as any service pension other than monthly) totaled \$13.2 million.

Every volunteer fire relief association providing lump sum benefits presumably is paying supplemental benefits to at least some of its retirees. In many cases, the supplemental benefit is less than \$1,000, and thus is not restricted by the current \$1,000 cap. However, there are also many relief associations paying supplemental benefits which are restricted. Any primary lump sum benefit in excess of \$10,000 received by the retiring firefighter would create a supplemental benefit which is limited by the current cap. A chart from the Office of the State Auditor, Minnesota Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations: Compilation Report by Benefit Plan Type for the Year ended December 31, 1999, is attached. A benefit of \$333 per year of service would create a \$10,000 lump sum benefit if the firefighter provided 30 years of service. Adding benefit level categories from that table, we compute that 535 out of a total of 706 relief associations (76 percent) pay lump sum benefits of at least \$300 per year of service, and many pay considerably more than \$333 per year of service. For relief associations paying \$1,000 or more per year of service (and based on information in the table, there are at least 190 relief associations which do pay \$1,000 or more per year of service) it would take only 10 years of service before a supplemental benefit would be restricted under the current cap. There are 157 relief associations which pay \$2,000 or more per year of service. That produces a lump sum pension of \$10,000 and possible \$1,000 supplemental benefit after only five years of service.

### Implementation, Targeting Issues.

Terminating volunteer firefighters who draw benefits can be subject to the ten percent surcharge tax on lump sum distributions for receipt before age 59 and one-half because volunteer fire general law permits volunteer firefighters to terminate and begin drawing benefits as early as age 50, and with as little as five years of service. The terminated firefighter *can* be subject to this tax, but it does not mean that he or she will be. The individual avoids the federal surcharge tax if the individual does not draw the benefit from the volunteer fire relief association until after age 59 and one-half. That surcharge can also be avoided if the assets are moved from the volunteer fire pension plan to a suitable annuity, individual retirement account (IRA), or other suitable vehicle. Thus, with some tax planning, the individual can avoid the tax. Even if the individual does move assets out of the volunteer fire plan before age 59 and one half, the tax is avoided by having the assets moved to an annuity or other suitable retirement-related investment vehicle.

Before addressing the issue of whether it is appropriate to increase the supplemental benefit cap from \$1,000 to \$2,500, the LCPR and Legislature may wish to consider the issue of who should be eligible to receive a supplemental benefit. Section 424A.10, Subdivision 1, a definition provision, and Subdivision 2, suggest that a supplemental lump sum benefit is payable to an individual who *receives* a lump sum distribution of pension or retirement benefits from a firefighter's relief association for service performed as a volunteer firefighter. This suggests that constructive receipt is required, and that a supplemental benefit would not be paid if the value of the retiree's lump sum pension is moved to an annuity or other suitable retirement-related investment. However, the decision of who receives the supplemental benefit, in any given case, is a determination made by the administrators of the volunteer fire plan. Since there are several hundred of these plans, there is a question of whether this provision is interpreted consistently across all these plans. It is possible that some relief associations pay the supplemental benefit whenever an individuals pension assets are removed from the fund; others may pay it only if assets are not rolled to a qualifying vehicle. If there is inconsistent application of the existing law, that may be a factor in whether the LCPR concludes that the maximum should be raised.

Perhaps the Department of Revenue is helping to ensure consistency, depending on the documentation it requires with any request from relief associations for reimbursement. The Office of the State Auditor may also play a role, given its audit-related activities. The LCPR may be interested in hearing brief testimony on how the Department of Revenue and/or the Office of the State Auditor interprets the provision, since under law the Department of Revenue reimburses the relief associations for any supplemental benefits the associations pay. By February 15, each relief association is to apply to the Department of Revenue for reimbursement of any supplemental benefit paid by the association during the prior calendar year. In turn, an appropriation is to be made to cover the reimbursements provided by the Department of Revenue (Section 424A.10, Subdivision 3).

In addition to the issue of whether supplemental benefit are paid in cases where assets are rolled to annuities or other suitable vehicles, or whether they should be paid, there remains the issue of treatment of any distribution to individuals who are over age 59 and one-half. If the overriding intention of the 1988 Legislature reflected in Section 424A.10 was to offset the impact of the additional ten percent tax on early distributions from pension plans, individuals over age 59 and one-half are not subject to that tax, and perhaps should not be receiving the supplemental benefit.

### Discussion of the Proposed Legislation

S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg) increases the maximum state-mandated ten percent of service pension amount supplemental benefit paid by lump sum volunteer firefighter relief associations to retiring firefighters and reimbursed by the State from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

An argument for increasing the maximum permitted supplemental lump sum volunteer fire pension amounts is that the \$1,000 maximum has been in law since 1988, when Section 424A.10 was first enacted. Its value has eroded over time. If a \$1,000 maximum was deemed appropriate in 1988, presumably a higher amount would be appropriate at the current time, given price inflation since 1988. A recent State Board of Investment publication indicates that over the last ten calendar years, the average inflation rate was 2.7 percent per year. If we go back a few years further, to 1988, and assume than average inflation rate of three percent per year from 1988 to the present, \$1,000 in 1988 would have the same purchasing power as \$1,425 at the current time. This suggests that an increase in the cap to \$1,500 or somewhat above would be s suitable adjustment. Perhaps the Legislature seeks to be guided by the change that has occurred in law in the lump sum flexible service pension maximum. In 1988, the maximum lump sum service pension that was authorized under law, providing the relief association had a suitable level of funding to support that pension level, was \$3,000 per year of service. In current law, the

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maximum that will be permitted after December 31, 2001, is \$6,500 per year of service, or 2.17 times the maximum that was permitted in 1988. Based on that change, the \$1,000 cap could be increased to \$2,170, or somewhat above. The amount proposed in S.F. 190 (Scheevel); H.F. 474 (Rifenberg) is \$2,500.

Arguments against increasing the maximum include the question of whether it is appropriate to continue efforts to offset, in whole or part, the impact of federal and state tax policy, budget impacts on the Department of Revenue and the state stemming from the policy of reimbursing relief associations for any supplemental benefits they provide, and various questions regarding how the current law is implemented and targeted.

A more extensive presentation of policy issues follows:

- 1. Appropriateness of Providing a Greater Tax Subsidy To Retiring Volunteer Firefighters. The policy issue is the appropriateness of the State mandating the provision of a greater tax subsidy to retiring volunteer firefighters. Volunteer firefighters do not depend on the volunteer firefighter relief association service pension as their primary economic resource in retirement. Retiring volunteer firefighters can elect to receive their service pension at a time when the federal income tax surcharge does not apply or can elect to have their lump sum service pension annuitized by the relief association (i.e. relief association purchases annuity for the retiring firefighter from licensed insurance company under Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.02, Subdivision 8a), thereby avoiding the early lump sum distribution federal income tax surcharge. The proposed legislation would assist retiring firefighters with larger lump sum benefits (up to \$25,000 rather than \$10,000), but as retiring firefighters receive larger and larger lump sum service pensions, these firefighters probably should be expected to become more sophisticated in their tax planning and less reliant on the State of Minnesota to bear some or all of the cost of unfavorable federal income tax treatment.
- 2. Targeting, Implementation Issues. The issues are whether the lump sum supplemental benefit is sufficiently targeted, and whether the current law, as implemented by local volunteer fire relief associations, the Department of Revenue, and possibly the State Auditor's office, is deemed to be consistent with policy that the LCPR and Legislature conclude is appropriate. As Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10 is worded, it definitely appears that a supplement benefit would be paid to individuals who draw the volunteer fire benefit after age 59 and one-half, although presumably they would not be subject to the federal surcharge tax on early distributions. It is also possible that the supplemental benefit is paid to individuals less than age 59 and one half who have assets transferred to annuities or to other vehicles which would allows the individual to avoid the federal surcharge tax.
- 3. Proper Lump Sum Supplemental Benefit Amount. The policy issue is the proper amount of the lump sum subsidy. If amounts up to \$1,000 are deemed appropriate, the LCPR and Legislature may need to take no action, since that is the maximum amount authorized in current statute. If the Legislature concludes it is appropriate to adjust the maximum for inflation since the \$1,000 maximum was set in 1988, an increase to approximately \$1,500 would be appropriate. If the LCPR concludes that it would be appropriate to increase the maximum supplemental benefit to be consistent with the difference in the maximum lump sum volunteer fire pension permitted under 1988 law compared to current law, and increase to \$2,170, or somewhat above, would seem appropriate.
- 4. State Fiscal Impact. The policy issue is the fiscal impact of the provision on the State of Minnesota. The supplemental benefit mandated under Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, Subdivision 2, the statutory provision proposed for amendment in this bill, is reimbursed by the State of Minnesota under Minnesota Statutes, Section 424A.10, Subdivision 3. In fiscal years 1998 and 1999, the Legislature included appropriations of \$378,000 and \$375,000 respectively for this supplemental benefit reimbursement. For the 2000-2001 biennium, the Governor's budget recommended a \$375,000 expenditure for each fiscal year to cover the supplemental benefit cost reimbursement. Increasing the maximum permitted supplemental lump sum pension would increase the needed state appropriation. Attached is a fiscal note for the proposal to increase the maximum supplemental benefit up to \$2,500. It is estimated to cost an additional \$300,000 per year.
- 5. Appropriateness of December 3, 2001, Effective Date. The policy issue is the appropriateness of the effective date for the proposed legislation. The proposed legislation makes the supplemental benefit increase effective for payments that occur after December 3, 2001. This is an unusual effective date for pension changes, and does not coincide with the start of the fiscal year for either volunteer fire relief associations (which we assume are all on a calendar year basis) or the state's fiscal year. The effective date may have been intended on behalf of a particular retiring firefighter, but the date may no longer serve that purpose. Bills substantively identical to the bills currently before the Commission were introduced during the previous biennial session, with a December 3, 1999, proposed effective

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date. In updating that bill draft for introduction during the current biennium, the draftsperson may have simply taken the previously proposed effective date and updated it by two years.

Unless it is established through testimony that December 3, 2001, is appropriate, the Commission may wish to consider other effective dates. Whatever date is chosen may influence the timing of some volunteer fire retirements and will determine when any new state budget impact begins. If a January 1, 2002, effective date is chosen, this would coincide with the start of a volunteer fire relief association fiscal year. Supplemental benefit payable from January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002, would be reported to the Department of Revenue in February, 2003, for reimbursement by March 15, 2003.

6. <u>Amendments</u>. Attached are three amendments for your consideration. LCPR01-16 could be used if the LCPR feels that supplemental benefits should be paid only to individuals who are subject to early distribution taxation. That amendment would also revised the effective date to a date determined by the LCPR. January 1, 2002, may be one reasonable date for consideration. LCPR01-17 could be used if the LCPR concludes that some maximum supplemental benefit amount other than \$2,500 should be used. LCPR01-18 could be used to revise the effective date if LCPR01-16 is not recommended for adoption.

- (1) Payment of the fees, dues and assessments to the Minnesota state fire department association and to the state volunteer firefighters' benefit association in order to entitle its firefighters to membership in and the benefits of these state associations;
- (2) Payment of the cost of purchasing and maintaining needed equipment for the fire department; and
- (3) Payment of the cost for construction, acquisition, repair and maintenance of buildings or other premises to house the fire department.

History: 1979 c 201 s 18; 1983 c 219 s 10

### 424A.09 APPLICATION TO CERTAIN RELIEF ASSOCIATIONS.

This chapter shall supersede any special law applicable to any municipal volunteer firefighters' relief association or independent nonprofit firefighting corporation specifically authorizing the relief association or nonprofit firefighting corporation to exceed the service pension limitations contained in Minnesota Statutes 1978, sections 69.06 and 69.691. Any relief association which amended its bylaws to provide for a full prorata service pension amount at the specified retirement age with 15 years service credit or 75 percent of the pro rata service pension amount at the specified retirement age with ten years of service pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1978, section 69.06 may continue to provide the specified service pension amounts at the applicable years of credited service to any member who has credit for at least ten or 15 years, whichever is the applicable minimum service period specified in the bylaws governing the relief association, on or before December 31, 1979 notwithstanding section 424A.02.

History: 1979 c 201 s 19; 1981 c 224 s 274

### 424A.10 STATE SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT; VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS.

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "qualified recipient" means an individual who receives a lump sum distribution of pension or retirement benefits from a firefighters' relief association for service performed as a volunteer firefighter.

- Subd. 2. Payment of supplemental benefit. Upon the payment by a firefighters' relief association of a lump sum distribution to a qualified recipient, the association must pay a supplemental benefit to the qualified recipient. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the relief association may pay the supplemental benefit out of its special fund. The amount of this benefit equals ten percent of the regular lump sum distribution that is paid on the basis of service as a volunteer firefighter. In no case may the amount of the supplemental benefit exceed \$1,000.
- Subd. 3. State reimbursement. By February 15 of each year, the relief association shall apply to the commissioner of revenue for state reimbursement of the amount of supplemental benefits paid under subdivision 2 during the preceding calendar year. By March 15 the commissioner shall reimburse the relief association for the amount of the supplemental benefits paid to qualified recipients. The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the form of and supporting information that must be supplied as part of the application for state reimbursement. The reimbursement payment must be deposited in the special fund of the relief association. A sum sufficient to make the payments is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.
- Subd. 4. In lieu of income tax exclusion. The supplemental benefit provided by this section is in lieu of the state income tax exclusion for lump sum distributions of retirement benefits paid to volunteer firefighters. If the law is modified to exclude or exempt volunteer firefighters' lump sum distributions from state income taxation, the supplemental benefits under this section may no longer be paid beginning with the first calendar year in which the exclusion or exemption is effective. This subdivision does not apply to exemption of all or part of a lump sum distribution under section 290.032 or 290.0802.

History: 1988 c 719 art 19 s 22; 1989 c 319 art 10 s 7; 1993 c 307 art 9 s 1

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# **Types of Service Pension Plans**

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.72, the relief associations that were required to report to the OSA are categorized as follows throughout the report:

All Plans	Included in Report	Plan Type	Benefit Level	Benefit Category
85	81	Defined Contribution	Defined Contribution	Defined Contribution
13	8	Lump Sum	\$ 10, but less than \$100 per YOS*	10 - 100
26	19	Lump Sum	\$ 100, but less than \$200 per YOS	100 - 200
42	37	Lump Sum	\$ 200, but less than \$300 per YOS	200 - 300
117	105	Lump Sum	\$ 300, but less than \$500 per YOS	300 - 500
208	190	Lump Sum	\$ 500, but less than \$1,000 per YOS	500 - 1,000
96	87	Lump Sum	\$1,000, but less than \$1,500 per YOS	1,000 - 1,500
39	37	Lump Sum	\$1,500, but less than \$2,000 per YOS	1,500 - 2,000
21	20	Lump Sum	\$2,000, but less than \$2,500 per YOS	2,000 - 2,500
13	13	Lump Sum	\$2,500, but less than \$3,000 per YOS	2,500 - 3,000
7	7	Lump Sum	\$3,000, but less than \$3,500 per YOS	3,000 - 3,500
11	11	Lump Sum	\$3,500 or more per YOS	3,500 or more
5	5	Monthly Pension	Monthly Service	Monthly
23	19	Monthly/Lump Sum	Monthly/Lump Sum Combination	Monthly - LS
706	639	Total Volunteer Firef	ighter Relief Associations	

Table 6
Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations
Summary of Data on Relief Association Membership and Bylaw Provisions for the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Num	ber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim Active	Active		hful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disal		Short- Disat		Fune Bene		Surv Ben	vivor nefit
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NOKA-CHAMPLIN	34	5	1.50	50	10	10	-	500,000	. :	90	BAL	·	3 <u>2</u> V	± (	02		BAL
SHBY	24		2	50	5	5	<u></u>	15,000		-	BAL	-	40	*		340	BAL
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REWSTER	27	~	5	50	10	10	2	25,000	(*)	4	BAL	-	-	-	-		BAL
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OSSTON	22	300	6	50	10	10		20,000		7	BAL		75	±:	=2.0		BAL
DUNTAIN	20		2	50	10	10	75,000	75,000	-	-	BAL	*	*	8	•	ST	BAL
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1 2 9	Nu	mber of N	lembers	Minimum Retirement	Minim	um Years Active		thful ince Bond	Pension	Long Disa	Term bility	Short- Disal		Fune Bene		Surv Ben	
Name of Association	Activ	e Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре
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MURDOCK	17	-	1	50	10	10	-	15,000		9	BAL	-	8	9	•	•	BAL
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RUSHFORD	29	-	2	50	10	10	343	30,000	-	-	BAL	2	#	~	-	94	BAL
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SWANVILLE	21	, <del>-</del>	1	50	10	10	<u></u>	50,000		92	BAL		=	<u>=</u>	-	-	BAL
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UNDERWOOD	18	9	-	50	10	10	(34)	20,000		*	BAL	7.		~~		27	BAL
WABASSO	22	( <b>**</b> )	3	50	10	10		25,000		7	BAL	1.7	1.7	, <del>5</del>	77	9	BAL
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WINTHROP	22	-	S#1	50	10	10		300,000	125	-	BAL	-	-	-	-	-	BAL
ZUMBROTA	29	-	9-8	50	10	10	-	75,000	<u> </u>	-	BAL	¥		-		4	BAL
Lump Sum - \$ 10 or	more, b	ut less	than \$100	per year o	fservice				2								
CARSONVILLE	19	7	1	50	10	10	-	20,000	75	75	Y/S	en.	<u>.</u>			75	Y/S
CLIMAX	19	4	-	50	10	10	-	10,000	25	-	-	<u>=</u>	9	9	•	-	-
FINLAYSON	20	~	5	50	10	10	325	10,000	50	50	Y/S	2	-	2	( <b>*</b> )	50	Y/S
LASALLE	19		-	50 •	10	10	090	10,000	25	25	Y/S	:* <sub>#</sub>	*	*		25	Y/S
NASSAU	17		-	55	20	10	9 <b>.</b>	10,000	25	· · ·	-		i <del></del>			25	Y/S
PEQUAYWAN	15	-	R <u>.</u>	50	5	5	5,000	5,000	30	8		-	-	*	•	30	Y/S
REVERE	13	~	-	50	10	10	5,000	5,000	10	2	Y/S	2	4	2	120	5	Y/S
TAUNTON	14	¥	1	55	10	10	10,000	10,000	80	*	***	10	WEEK	, ¥ 2		50	Y/S
Lump Sum - \$ 100 or	r more. I	out less	s than \$20	0 per year	of service	:e											
BIGELOW	20		2	50	5	<b>-</b> 5	6,000	6,000	100	100	Y/S				10.00	100	Y/S
BLUFFTON	13		-	50	20	10	(a)	6,000	100	100	Y/S	- -	8	2	_	100	Y/S
COTTON	18	20 22	3	50	5	5	0	20,000	100	100	Y/S	2	- S - E		-	100	Y/S
DANVERS	14	_	-	50	10	10	5,000	5,000	175	175	Y/S				·	175	Y/S
DUMONT	20		2	50	10	±10		10,000	150	150	Y/S		_	_		150	Y/S
ELBOW-TULABY LK	17	-	-	62	10	10	5,000	5,000	100	100	Y/S	-			5	100	Y/S
ELMER	15	20 20	1	60	5	5	. 0,000	50,000	100	=	1,0	Ε: Ψ	20	N 24	-	100	Y/S
EDERAL DAM	13	= =	**	55	20	10	10,000	10,000	100	100	Y/S		8		-	100	Y/S
FLENSBURG	19		× 20	50	10	10	10,000	40,000	125	125	Y/S	_	_	12	-	125	Y/S
GENEVA	19		-	55	10	· 10		5,000	100	100	Y/S	_	_		-	100	Y/S
GOODLAND	19	-	2	50	5	5		7,000	140	140	Y/S	=	-	=	4	140	Y/S
AKE HENRY	23	27	5	50	10	10	7.557 1:00	10,000	150	150	Y/S	<u></u>	2	±	-	150	Y/S
ISMORE	25	- 5		50	20	5	V	30,000	140	140	Y/S	100	WEEK	200	LUMP	140	Y/S
LUCAN	24		1	50	10	10		6,500	160	A#:		100	AALLIK	200	-	160	Y/S
YND	14			50	20	20	-	10,000	100	_	0	W.	Da .			100	Y/S
MCGRATH	16	_	4	50	5	5		10,000	100	100	Y/S	-	T-1		2	100	Y/S
MEADOWLANDS	12	•	1	50 50	5	5	15. 24	3,000	100	100	1/S Y/S	759 ¥	11.55 9 - 1724	(15) (12)	S 4	100	Y/S
MIDDLE RIVER	19	- 12 12		50	20	10		10,000	150	150	1/S Y/S	100	WEEK	25	-	150	1/S
SAINT LEO	18	1.20	4	50 50	10	10	-	10,000	175	175	WEEK	100	AAEEK		-	175	1/5 Y/S
SAINT LEO	16		4	50	10	10		10,000	175	175	WEEK	-	-		-	175	1/3
_ump Sum - \$ 200 or	more, b	ut less	than \$30	0 per year	of servic	e		540									
LMELUND	28	: <del>*</del>	3	- 50	10	10	-	20,000	250	250	Y/S	e . <del></del>	( <del></del>		li 🚊	250	Y/S
LTURA	22		-	50	20	20	<b>=</b> 0	10,000	250	-		25	WEEK	-	=	250	Y/S
16 I O I V 1		1															

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Summary of Data on Relief Association Membership and Bylaw Provisions for the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Nun	nber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minin	num Years Active		hful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disab		Short- Disat		Fun Ben		Surv Ben	
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type
BOWLUS	21	9	1	50	20	10	11.02	10,000	250	250	Y/S	(¥	¥	Ψ.	396	250	Y/\$
BREITUNG	20	~	1	50	10	10	130	10,000	200	200	Y/S		280	. =	6466	200	Y/S
BRIMSON	17		-	50	20	10	15,000	15,000	200	200	Y/S		=		(57.)	200	Y/S
BROOK PARK	16	=	1	50	5	5		50,000	200	200	Y/S	-	=	9	-	200	Y/S
CAMPBELL	25		1	50	20	10	112	25,000	200	-	-	: 🕳	÷	~	× ''	200	Y/S
CLIFTON	18	2	3	50	5	5	10,000	30,000	250	250	Y/S	1000	*	× "	300	250	Y/S
CROOKED LAKE	18	*	-	50	5	5		10,000	250	250	Y/S		=			250	Y/S
DARFUR	15	5	×1	50	10	10		7,000	275	275	Y/S	.20	DAY	9	•	275	Y/S
DENT	22	=	2	50	10	10	-	10,000	250		-		=	¥	F#6	250	Y/S
DEXTER	20		2	50	10	<b>≤</b> 10	1 100	10,000	225	225	Y/S	*1	-	-		225	Y/S
ELLSWORTH	24	2	6	55	10	10	15,000	15,000	200	-		*	=	=	( <u>*</u> )	200	Y/S
ELROSA	30	*	5	55	5	5	1.5	20,000	250	250	Y/S	•	=	77		250	Y/S
GRANADA	19	=	2	50	10	10		35,000	250	-	-	-	<u>=</u>	2	720	250	Y/S
GRYGLA	20		1	50	10	10	, 72	20,000	200	200	Y/S	2	~	¥	300	200	Y/S
HALSTAD	24		4	55	10	10		30,000	200	200	Y/S	18	-	*	( ★)	200	Y/S
HANLEY FALLS	23	2	4	50	10	10	18	10,000	250	-	-	*	~		20	250	Y/S
HENDRUM	26	1	-	50	10	10	25,000	25,000	200	200	Y/S	- 8	-	2	-	200	Y/S
HEWITT	14	-	1	50	10	10	10,000	10,000	250	250	Y/S	2	± , ,	2	( <b>2</b> 0)	250	Y/S
IONA	13	-	_	50	20	20	10,000	10,000	250	250	Y/S	₩.	#	*		250	Y/S
KARLSTAD	29	2	2	50	10	10	10-3	55,000	200	200	Y/S	=	* 11	=		200	Y/S
KENNEDY	19	~		50	10	10	3#7	20,000	250	250	Y/S	=	=	9		250	Y/S
LAKE BRONSON	18	#1		50	10	10		8,000	200	20	Y/S	2	¥	2		50	Y/S
LANCASTER	22	-	3	55	10	10	V.	20,000	200	50	Y/S	-	× .,	2	3,€3	50	Y/S
NEW MUNICH	20	2	-	50	- 10	10	-	7,000	215	215	Y/S	-	*	120		215	Y/S
NORTH STAR	16	2	4	50	5	5	5,000	5,000	200	-	-			₹.	2.7%	200	Y/S
OSTRANDER	18	*	_	50	10	10	-	7,500	250	250	Y/S	7	9	€		250	Y/S
PORTER	25	-	3	55	10	10	( <del>-</del>	20,000	225	135	Y/S	127	2	2	(=)	225	Y/S
SOLWAY RURAL	18	- 5		50	10	10	-	10,000	200	-	-	-	÷	¥	<b>⊒€</b> 0	-	-
STURGEON LAKE	12		-	50	10	10	2.40	5,000	200	200	Y/S	36	×.	8		200	Y/S
VILLARD	25	-	145	50	10	10	(0 <b>+</b> )	10,000	200	200	· Y/S	1.00	5	-	-	100	Y/S
VINING	16		_	55	10	10	4	7,500	250	-	-	· .	-	300	LUMP	-	-
WILMONT -	24		4	50	10	10	<b>**</b>	10,000	250	250	Y/S	160	2	2	120	250	Y/S
WILSON	27		3	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	250	250	Y/S	100	€.	Ψ.	3.63	250	Y/S
Lump Sum - \$ 300 or		out less					20,000										
ADAMS	25	-		50	10	10		20,000	440	440	Y/S	1000				440	Y/S
ALBORN	∠5 16		-	50 50:	20	10		10,000	350	350	Y/S	72	3	=	143	350	Y/S
			4	50 ·	20 10	10	10.02	15,000	300	300	Y/S	1075 1046	2	8	72 72	300	Y/S
ALDEN	25		4		10	10	15 (5E)	50,000	400	400	Y/S	-	_	s [	-	400	Y/S
ALPHA	13		2	50 55	10	10	-	12,000	400	400	Y/S	1000	_	_	-	400	Y/S
ASKOV	19	-	3	55	10	10		12,000	400	400	173	11.5°	-	5.7	5.00	400	170

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Summary of Data on Relief Association Membership and Bylaw Provisions for the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	NI.	ber of Me	mbore	Minimum		num Years	Fait Performa	hful nce Bond	Pension	Long-T Disab		Short- Disab		Fune Bene	efit	Surv	efit
. 2000 000 000 000			Deferred	Retirement Age	Active Service	Active Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type
Name of Association			4	50	10	10	15,000	15,000	450	450	Y/S	10	DAY	¥	: <b>-</b> :	450 400	Y/S Y/S
BALATON	22		1	55	10	10	-20	10,000	400	-	-		747	-		325	1/S Y/S
BARRETT	19			50	20	20	3 <b>-</b> 01	7,500	325	325	Y/S	82		*	•	325	
BEARDSLEY	20	-	5	50	5	5	10,000	20,000	325	325	Y/S	-			•	400	
BELLINGHAM	20	2	7	50	10	10	7 <del>-</del> 5	25,000	400	400	Y/S	155	7.5	-	-		
BELVIEW	18	-	1	50	10	10	-	10,000	400	400	Y/S	7	8	-	3 <b>₩</b> E	- 400 400	
BERTHA	20	1.5	2	55	10	10		20,000	400	-	-	¥	~		5 📆		
BLOMKEST	16	7.	4	50 <sup>12</sup>	10	10	Sec	15,000	320	320	Y/S		*		5	320	
BOYD	19	-		50	5	5	:±:	10,000	475	475	Y/S	*		•	-	475	
BREVATOR	17	*	2 1	50	20	10	-	10,000	350	50	Y/S	-	( <del>-</del>		-	350	
CANTON	20	~	•	50	10	10	_	60,000	300	300	Y/S	8	-	:€:	*	300	
CHANDLER	20	5	4	50 50	5	5	- 2	10,000	375	375	Y/S	·	<b>≔</b> 00	200		375	
CHERRY	18	7	2	50 50	10	10	-	20,000	425	300	Y/S	; <b>=</b> 0;	(#0)	554	÷	425	
CHOKIO	21		3	50 50	10	10	10,000	10,000	375	375	Y/S	<b>;</b> ₩0	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::		-	375	
CLARISSA	21	94	1		10	10	10,000	20,000	300	300	Y/S	7	•	?≆:	-	300	
CLARKS GROVE	23	#1	1	50	10	10	-	10,000	300	300	Y/S	2	•	( <del>; ♦</del> (		300	
CLEMENTS	19	: <b>*</b>	-	50 50	10	10	2	10,000	400	400	Y/S	(40)	•	0.7	-	400	
CLINTON - Big Stone	21	•	3	50		10	-	15,000	400	400	Y/S	25	WEEK	1.5	-	400	
CLINTON - St Louis	19	-	1	50	10	10	-	200,000	450	450	Y/S	15	DAY	-	-	450	
COMFREY	24	3.6	=	50	10	10	-	25,000	450	450	Y/S		-	#	:#):	450	
COTTONWOOD	28	-	9	55	10	10	15,000	15,000	450	450	Y/S	12	1	*		450	
CURRIE	21	-	•	50	10	10	13,000	10,000	325	_	_		(*)	5		325	
CYRUS	18	-	1	50	10			20,000		350	Y/S	(**)	5.11	3	120	350	
DALTON	23	-	7	50	10	10 5		15,000		400	Y/S	1.5	-	2	: €:	400	
DELAVAN	18	2: 0€	1	50	5			15,000		450	Y/S	-	9	¥		450	
DOVER	22	1050	150	55	- 10	10		100,000		450	Y/S	₩	2	-	2.5	450	1.0
DUNNELL	15	170	3	50	10	10	-	50,000		350	Y/S	_	¥		•	350	
EITZEN	25	-	3	50	10	10		20,000		450	Y/S	*	*		16	450	
ELIZABETH	23	<u>=</u>		50	10	10		10,000		400	Y/S	-	9 .			400	
ELLENDALE	21	#	3	50	5	5	0.500	·			90 -	-	-	343	(: <del>)(</del> (	450	0 Y/S
EMMONS	26	*	1	50	10	-10	2,500			320	Y/S	18 E	· ·	( <del></del> )	0.5	320	0 Y/S
EVANSVILLE	28	-	-	50	10	10	===	10,000		400	Y/S	_	3 40	(		400	0 Y/S
FIFTY LAKES	11	-	4	50	5	5	-	30,000		-	-	-		- 2	-	350	0 Y/S
FINLAND	19	2	(in)	50	10	10	-1 ×	10,000		450	Y/S		-	-	- 8	45	0 Y/S
FORADA	26		2	50	10	10	5	20,000		400	Y/S		20		*	40	0 Y/S
FREDENBERG	15		: <del>-</del> :	50	10	10	10,000				Y/S	27 h	5753 5 <u>46</u> 5		~	30	0 Y/S
FRENCH TWP	31		1	50	10	10	15,000			300	1/S Y/S	5	DAY		-	32	5 Y/S
	25		2	50	10	10	-	12,000		325		5	DA1	-	-	40	
FROST	16		1	50	5	∗5	*	25,000		400	Y/S	(#X)		051 144	_	40	
GARVIN	26		1	50	10	.10	-	20,000		200	Y/S	7		1/5 U24	_	43	
GNESEN	25		1	50	10	10	-	15,000		430	Y/S		•	<del></del>	-	10	
GRACEVILLE HANCOCK	25		2	50	10	10	ě	100,000	300	-	100	-	•		.e	10	.,,

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	Number of Members           Active         Retired         Deferred           25         -         1           27         -         4           23         -         -           17         -         4			Minimum Retirement	Minim	aum Years Active		thful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disab		Short Disa		Fund Ben		Survi Bend	
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре
HANSKA	25		1	50	10	10		15,000	350	350	Y/S			¥	•	350	Y/S
HARMONY	27	325	4	50	10	10	-	15,000	400	400	Y/S		12	2		400	Y/S
HARTLAND	23	500	-	50	10	10	5-3	25,000	425	425	Y/S	425	Y/S	*	( <del>-</del> )	425	Y/S
HERMAN	17	9€2	4	50	10	10		10,000	450.	450	Y/S	**		*	3.00	450	Y/S
HILL CITY	26	-	4	50	10	10	100,000	100,000	330	330	Y/S	-			370	330	Y/S
HITTERDAL	15		2	50	10	10 =	-	20,000	350	350	Y/S		-		~	350	Y/S
HOFFMAN	21		3	50	10	10	848	20,000	350	350	Y/S	927	82	4	(2)	350	Y/S
HOVLAND	16		-	50	10	10	-	10,000	400	400	Y/S	9.00		*	100	400	Y/S
INDUSTRIAL	17	S=1	4	50	5	5	85	200,000	350	350	Y/S		3 to 3	-	3.00	350	Y/S
JASPER	24	250	2	50	10	10	18	20,000	450	450	Y/S			€	•	450	Y/S
JEFFERS	20	-	0.2	50	20	10	100	20,000	375	-	-	120	-	25	2	375	Y/S
KELLIHER	20	-	1	50	10	10	546	15,000	300	300	Y/S	100	986	<u>₩</u>	m 3+3	300	Y/S
KETTLE RIVER	18		1	50	5	5	30,000	30,000	450	450	Y/S	3.00	S + 3	₩.	<u>(</u> #0)	450	Y/S
KILKENNY	- 20		2	50	10	10	-	60,000	400	400	Y/S	-	150		-	400	Y/S
LAKE KABETOGAMA	17		1	50	5	5	10,000	10,000	400	400	Y/S	(a)	-	2	-	400	Y/S
LAKEWOOD	26		_	- 50	20	20	-	50,000	450	450	Y/S	(4)	325	<u> </u>	340	450	Y/S
LEAF VALLEY TWP	16	-	2	50	5	5	X <b>+</b> :	30,000	300	300	Y/S	1963		8.7	·	300	Y/S
LEROY	24		5	50	10	10	-	15,000	300	300	Y/S				2.5	300	Y/S
LITTLEFORK	26	1.50	8	50	5	5	20,000	20,000	450	450	Y/S		•	· ·	-	450	Y/S
MABEL	20	-	-	50	10	10	141	10,000	375	250	Y/S	-	-	20	-	125	Y/S
MAHTOWA	18	1	1	50	5	5		10,000	300	300	Y/S	394.3	: <b>.</b> €3	*	100	300	Y/S
MAKINEN	20		1	50	10	10	30,000	30,000	300	300	Y/S		: <b>:</b> ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	P.	(#B)	300	Y/S
MANTORVILLE	18	5 <b>.</b>	6	50	10	10		20,000	480	480	Y/S					480	Y/S
MCINTOSH	19		-	50	10	10	-	20,000	450	450	Y/S	-	4	-	-	450	Y/S
MCKINLEY	12	120	3	50	10	10	2	10,000	300	300	Y/S	140	848	: 100	-	300	Y/S
MEDFORD	25	3 <u>4</u> 3	5	50	10	10	::	150,000	430	430	Y/S	363		10 <b>e</b> 3	*	430	Y/S
MIESVILLE	30		6	50	10	10	-	30,000	400	400	Y/S	.=2	200	1.00	-	400	Y/S
NEWFOLDEN	11		-	50	10	10	:	10,000	400	400	Y/S	200	WEEK	300	LUMP	_	_
NORTHOME	17	- 3	2	50	10	10	-	20,000	400	400	Y/S		-	125	-	400	Y/S
ODIN	14	===		50	10	10	-	10,000	400		_	15	WEEK	343		400	Y/S
OKABENA	18	-	1	55	5	5	(=)	15,000	350	350	Y/S	0		0)+3	(70)	350	Y/S
ORMSBY	15	-	2	50	10	10	240	10,000	350	-	_	10	WEEK	3.00	151	350	Y/S
PALISADE	20		1	50	10	10	-	10,000	350	350	Y/S	100	WEEK	-	(4)	350	Y/S
PEMBERTON	24	-		50	20	10		10,000	350		Y/S	20		7/	127	350	Y/S
PIKE-SANDY-BRITT	23	27	9	50	10	10	10.000	20,000	300	300	Y/S			\ <u>~</u>	34.5	300	Y/S
PRINSBURG	18		2	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	400	400	Y/S	340		30	7 90 0	400	Y/S
RED WING	26	-	5	55	10	10	30,000	30,000	300	300	Y/S	-	2=2	1,000	LUMP	300	Y/S
ROLLINGSTONE	25	-	2	50	10	10		10,000	300	300	Y/S			.,000	2	300	Y/S
ROSE CREEK	22	-	4	50	20	10	-	15,000	400	400	Y/S	>/* ≧⊒	#41.	0000 024	-	400	Y/S
ROTHSAY	20	(2) S	6	50	10	10		25,000	450	450	Y/S	-	640	99	(e)	450	Y/S
ROYALTON	23	*	1	50	10	10	:=0	15,000	475	475	Y/S	17	***			475	Y/S

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				_	Minimum	Minin	num Years		:hful		Long-	Term	Short-	-Term	Fun	eral	Sun	vivor
Name of Association		Active	ber of Me Retired		Retirement Age	Active	Active		nce Bond	Pension	Disat	77.5.5.5.5	Disal		Ben		Ber	nefit
	-		Retired			Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Type
RUSSELL		19	75	4	50	10	10	-	20,000	375	375	Y/S	25	<u>=</u>	<u> </u>		375	Y/S
SANBORN		19	-	-	50	20	10	-	10,000	450	450	Y/S	#	⊈;		92	450	Y/S
SHEVLIN		23	20	2	50	10	10	-	12,000	450	450	Y/S	*	×	-	343	450	Y/S
SQUAW LAKE		15	-	1	50	10	10	-	100,000	400	200	Y/S	**	#:	<b></b>	0.00	250	Y/S
SAINT MARTIN		25	*	2	50	10	10	-	20,000	375	375	Y/S	-	7	-	-	6,500	LUMP
STEPHEN		26	2	2	50	10	10	-	20,000	350	-	-	4	2	20	2	350	Y/S
STORDEN		21	-	-	50	10	10	-	20,000	400	400	Y/S	÷:	*	-	(A)	400	Y/S
TOFTE		9	-		50	5	5	10,000	10,000	400	<b>400</b>	Y/S	Ţ.	*	=	199	400	Y/S
TOWER		21	-	: <del></del> :	50	10	10	-	10,000	350	100	Y/S	Ġ.	750	50	100	300	Y/S
UPSALA		18	-	4	50	10	10	10,000	10,000	350	350	Y/S	72	-	3	•	350	Y/S
VESTA		15		(4)	50	10	10	5,000	10,000	300	300	Y/S	224	143	-		300	Y/S
WALNUT GROVE		20	7	- 9	50	10	10	-	100,000	400	400	Y/S	0€	( <del>-</del>	- 100		400	Y/S
WARREN		24	(4)	3	50	5	5	50,000	50,000	425	425	Y/S	100	055	5#5	3-2	425	Y/S
WENDELL		20	S#3	-	50	10	10	-	10,000	300	300	Y/S				-	300	Y/S
WILLOW RIVER		19	: **:	1	50	10	10	-	10,000	400	400	Y/S	825	7#	-	20	400	Y/S
WOOD LAKE		20		4	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	⊴ 300	300	Y/S	:*:	(¥5	3.00	40	300	Y/S
WOODSTOCK		16		-	50	10	10	-	15,000	325	325	Y/S	100	3 <b>0</b>	0 <b>=</b> :	360	325	Y/S
WRENSHALL		24	( <b>*</b> )	2	50	10	10	-	15,000	350	350	Y/S	5	DAY	250	LUMP	350	Y/S
WRIGHT		17		4	50	5	5	10,000	10,000	320	320	Y/S	2		-	-	320	· Y/S
Lump Sum - \$ 500 o	e m	ore, b 25	ut less	than \$1,0	000 per yea 50	r of serv 10	<u>ice</u> 10		25,000	500	500	Y/S					500	V/0
ALBERTVILLE		25	190	7	50	10	10	175 126	20,000	600	500	-				-	500	Y/S
AMBOY		21	120	2	50	10	10	5 2	15,000	500	100	Y/S		<b>=</b> 90			600	Y/S
ANNANDALE		20	=;=/.	14	50	5	5	- J	25,000	800	800	Y/S	(85) (00)	: <b>.</b> :	:2:		500	Y/S
ARGYLE		25	1770	3	50	10	10	_	15,000	525	-	1/S Y/S				ĕ	800	Y/S
ARLINGTON		28	-	4	50	10	10		40,000	750	750	Y/S		-		1	525	Y/S
ATWATER		21	27	4	50	10	10	2	25,000	- 550	550	Y/S	-	-		-	<sub>2</sub> 750	Y/S
AUDUBON		24	-	3	50	5	5	20,000	25,000	750	750	1/S Y/S	: <b>-</b> X	(#)	-	#	550	Y/S
AVON		23	-	1	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	850	850	Y/S		200	±53	75	750	Y/S
BABBITT		26	-	3	50	5	5		40,000	850	850	Y/S		DAY			850	Y/S
BAGLEY		25	2	4	50	10	10	7	30,000	900	450	Y/S	20	DAY	•	-	850	Y/S
BALSAM		16	<u> </u>	2	50	10	10	- 6	50,000	- 800	800	1/S Y/S	-	-	~ .	-	900	Y/S
BARNESVILLE		25	_	4	50	10	10	4	40.000	875	875	Y/S		7	-	( <del>-</del>	800	Y/S
BARNUM		25	1	2	50	10	.10	-	250,000	600	600	Y/S Y/S			. <del>∏</del>	S#8	875	Y/S
BATTLE LAKE		20		1	50	10	10	2,000			900						600	Y/S
BAUDETTE		21	_	3	50	10	10	۷,000	25,000	900		Y/S	-	-	_		900	Y/S
BEAVER BAY		19	8 2	ა 5	50	20	10	್: 2.000	45,000	800	350	Y/S	× _	E 434	*	•	800	Y/S
BEAVER CREEK		16	*	2	50 50	20 10	10	2,000	12,000	500	100	Y/S	5	DAY	₩.	<del></del>	500	Y/S
BELGRADE		25		4	50 50	10	10	-	20,000	500	500 650	Y/S	· ·	5	5	150	500	Y/S
		20	.a •	1 8	50	10	10	5 <del>-5</del> 4	25,000	650	650	Y/S	-	-	*	•	650	Y/S

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	Num	iber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim	num Years Active		hful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disab			-Term bility	Fune Bene		Surv Ben		
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	
BIGFORK	20	*	2	50	10	10		25,000	930	930	Y/S	-	-	-	12	930	Y/S	
BIRD ISLAND	24	198	4	50	10	10	#	15,000	500	500	Y/S	*	(40)		-	500	Y/S	
BIWABIK TWP	18		-	50	10	10	=	10,000	600	600	Y/S		9-8		-	600	Y/S	
BRAHAM	24	4	8	50	7	7	2	30,000	800	800	Y/S	-	-	800	Y/S	800	Y/S	
BRANDON	□ 22		2	50	5	5	2	25,000	650	650	Y/S	-	-	-	V4:	650	Y/S	
BRICELYN	21		1	55	10	10	15,000	15,000	500	500	Y/S	-	(#)	-	(2)	500	Y/S	
BROOTEN	20		3	50	10	10	=	30,000	· 500	500	Y/S	*	***	3000	::*:	500	Y/S	
BROWERVILLE	22	•	3	50	10	10	-	20,000	500	400	Y/S	V.	: <del></del>	(=)	1.50	400	Y/S	
BROWNS VALLEY	20	180		50	20	20	=	18,000	525	525	Y/S	***	-			525	Y/S	
BROWNSDALE	20	940	-	50	10	10	-	20,000	500	500	Y/S	<u>=</u>	-	120	72	500	Y/S	
BROWNTON	28	20	22-	50	10	10	-	20,000	700	600	Y/S	*	( <b>4</b> )	1.590	200	700	Y/S	
BUFFALO LAKE	25	557	1	50	10	10	-	30,000	625	625	Y/S	25	DAY	:#::	(#C	625	Y/S	
BUHL	22	9 .	1	50	10	10	2	20,000	800	800	Y/S	2	DAY	V		800	Y/S	
BUTTERFIELD	23	122	5	50	, 5	5	-	15,000	500	500	Y/S	5	DAY	320	-	500	Y/S	
BYRON	29	340	9	50	5	5	30,000	30,000	700	700	Y/S	-	-	*	8≆8	700	Y/S	
CALEDONIA	30	*	4	50	10	10	-	200,000	700	700	Y/S	5	DAY	360	·	700	Y/S	
CANOSIA TWP	17	-	3	50	10	10	200,000	200,000	500	500	Y/S	-	200	9 <del>5</del> 8	3 <del>7</del> .	500	Y/S	
CEYLON	23	-	3	50	10	10	_	15,000	500	(6)	-	50	WEEK		-	500	Y/S	
CHATFIELD	25	-	2	50	5	5	=	25,000	800	800	Y/S	2	<b>₩</b> Y		-	800	Y/S	
CLARA CITY	20	*	- s	50	. 5	5	•	40,000	750	750	Y/S	750	Y/S	(4)	-		-	
CLAREMONT	17	Ε.	5	50	10	10	-	50,000	500	500	Y/S		* *	3₩.0	8	500	Y/S	
CLARKFIELD	26	-	7	50	10	10		30,000	560	560	Y/S	=	8	370		560	Y/S	
CLEAR LAKE	26	2	4	50	10	10	30,000	35,000	800	800	Y/S	8	-		• "	800	Y/S	
CLEARWATER	23	2	7	50	10	10	30,000	30,000	650	650	Y/S	2	- 4	-	-	650	Y/S	
CLEVELAND	23		4	50	5	5	1000	25,000	650	100	Y/S	*	*	540		650	Y/S	
COLERAINE	20	5	3	50	5	5	20,000	20,000	900	900	Y/S	*	<del>27</del>	3.0	350	900	Y/S	
COSMOS	20	-	6	50	5	5	-	17,000	650	650	Y/S	=	:::	**	-	650	Y/S	
COURTLAND	21	2	4	50	10	10		30,000	650	650	Y/S	2	9	-	-	650	Y/S	
CROMWELL	19	<u>.</u> 3	2	50	20	10	-	15,000	700	300	Y/S	2	្ន	20	100	700	Y/S	
CUYUNA	25	*:	1	50	10	10	0 <del>00</del> 0	10,000	500	500	Y/S	-	*			500	Y/S	
DANUBE	22	77	1	50	10	10	3 <del>5</del> 2	25,000	500	500	Y/S	g	н	(4)	300	500	Y/S	
DAYTON	26	-	6	50	5	5		500,000	900	900	Y/S	5	ā		450	900	Y/S	
DEER CREEK	17	-	1	50	10	10	10,000	10,000	550	550	Y/S			9	•	550	Y/S	
DEERWOOD	20	#	2	50	10	10	~	20,000	720	-	-	100	8 =	· ·	-	720	Y/S	
EAGLE BEND	22		2	50	10	10		30,000	500	500	Y/S	1945	4	-	340	500	Y/S	
EASTON	24	5.75	1	50	10	1.0	35	20,000	500	500	Y/S	790	#6	*	380	500	Y/S	
ECHO	19	.5	3	50	10	10		20,000	500	500	Y/S	US:	=		-	500	Y/S	
EDEN VALLEY	27	72	4	50	10	10	200,000	200,000	925	-	_		8	9	-	925	Y/S	
EDGERTON	24		-	50	10	10		30,000	700	700	Y/S	8#8	2	ē	-	700	Y/S	
ELMORE	16	30-3	5	50	10	10	-	60,000	550	550	Y/S	( <del>*</del> )		500	( <del>•</del> ):	550	Y/S	
ELYSIAN	27	2.75	2	50	10	10	27.1	20,000	500	500	Y/S	ē <del>=</del> 1	16	•	: <b>#</b> .9	500	Y/S	

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	Num	nber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim	num Years Active		hful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disab		Short Disa	-Term bility	Fune Bene		Surv Ben		
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	
EMILY	20	-	5	50	10	10	4	20,000	535	-	-		277	20	925	535	Y/S	
EYOTA	17	-	-	50	15	10	=	20,000	800	250	Y/S	5	DAY	-	1943	800	Y/S	
FERTILE	25		2	50	10	10	5	20,000	500	500	Y/S	*	O 200	( <del>€</del> ) :		500	Y/S	
FORESTON	21	-	6	50	5	5	-	30,000	600	600	Y/S	-	o 1 <del>0</del> 5		8.5	600	Y/S	
FRANKLIN	20	=	4	50	10	-10	=	20,000	600	600	Y/S	9	÷.	-		600	Y/S	
FRAZEE	22	2.00	4	50	5	5	,2	25,000	750	750	Y/S	2	27	20	-	750	Y/S	
FULDA	26	×	1	50	10	10	-	50,000	950	950	Y/S	*	40	( <b>=</b> 3)	5 <b>4</b> 5	950	Y/S	
GARFIELD	24	=	3	50 -	10	10	25,000	25,000	700	· 700	Y/S	. *	39.7	; <del>#</del> %	( <del>-</del> )	700	Y/S	
GLENWOOD	27	9	_ =	50	10	10	-	44,000	900	900	Y/S		27.1	17.V		900	Y/S	
GOOD THUNDER	26		5	50	5	5	20,000	40,000	950	0	-	100	WEEK	20	(2)	950	Y/S	
GOODVIEW	29	н 😩	6	50	8	8	A (26)	50,000	650	650	Y/S	*	42	*	2	650	Y/S	
GRAND MARAIS	25	*	1	50	10	10	3 <del>-</del> 5	30,000	825	825	· Y/S	*		*0	•	825	Y/S	
GRAND MEADOW	23		7	50	10	10	50. <del>5</del> 2	25,000	720	720	Y/S	-	*		:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	720	Y/S	
GRANITE FALLS	26		2	50	10	10	40,000	40,000	850	850	Y/S	-	7	3.	•	850	Y/S	
GREEN ISLE	23	22	3	50	10	10	12	20,000	650	650	Y/S	2	월 강	4		650	Y/S	
GREY EAGLE	18	-	7	50	5	5	00 <del>4</del> 0	20,000	500	100	Y/S	¥	94	-	:=:	500	Y/S	
GROVE CITY	18	=	6	50	10	10	(5 <del>,0</del> 2	25,000	675	675	Y/S	*				675	Y/S	
HALLOCK	26	15	4	50	10	10		100,000	500	20	Y/S				450	50	Y/S	100
HAMBURG	29	-	1	50	10	10	-	25,000	800	800	Y/S	2	2	-	2	800	Y/S	
HAMPTON	16	-	5	50	10	10	-	20,000	500	500	Y/S	43	2	-		500	Y/S	
HANOVER	27	( 🕳	3	60	10	.10	200,000	200,000	800	30	Y/S	20	DAY			800	Y/S	
HAYWARD	24	(9)	2	50	10	10	3.5	30,000	800	800	Y/S	21 B		-	1.00	800	Y/S	
HENDERSON	24	, <del>-</del>	1	50	10	10	-	25,000	<b>700</b>	700	Y/S	-	¥′	-		700	Y/S	
HENDRICKS	25	02€	5	50	5	5	12	100,000	550	550	Y/S	144		≘	9 <b>4</b> 8	550	Y/S	
HENNING	24	-	÷.	50	5	5	-	22,000	600	600	Y/S	-	-		<b>.</b>	600	Y/S	
HERON LAKE	21	(G <del>*</del> 6)	-	55	10	10		20,000	600	600	Y/S	1061	*	*	958	600	Y/S	
HINCKLEY	24	-	5	50	10	10		100,000	650	650	Y/S	3.50	5	5	-	650	Y/S	
HOUSTON	25		6	50	10	10	-	20,000	510	510	Y/S		-	# <u>\$</u>	20	510	Y/S	
HOWARD LAKE	29	2	2	50	10	10	30,000	30,000	900	900	Y/S	82	2	2	**	900	Y/S	
IRONTON	24	2 <u>4</u> 1	5	50	10	10	(#C)	20,000	500	- :		2#	-	4"	(€):	500	Y/S	
ISLE	24		1	50	10	10	( <del>*</del> :	25,000	842	842	Y/S	· ·	*	+		842	Y/S	
JANESVILLE	25		1	50	10	10		17,000	850	850	Y/S	e <b>.</b> €	-	=	-	850	Y/S	
KANDIYOHI	21		2	50	5	5	25,000	25,000	600	_	_	-	2	2	<b>3</b> 0	600	Y/S	
KASOTA	21	848	-	50	10	10	-	30,000	600	600	Y/S	10	WEEK	-	2	600	Y/S	
KELLOGG	29	7.5	1	50	10	10	3=3	25,000	550	550	Y/S	943	225	E.	2	550	Y/S	
KENSINGTON	24		-1	50	10	10	5 <del>+</del> 5	10,000	500	-	~		(ec.	1060		-	_	
KIMBALL	25		2	50	10	10		25,000	680	680	Y/S		200		-	680	Y/S	
KINNEY	25		6	50	10	10	-	20,000	500	500	Y/S	2	DAY	-	3	500	Y/S	
LAFAYETTE	23	•	6	50	10	10	140	40,000	650	-	_	<u>~</u>	-	2 -	2	650	Y/S	
LAKE BENTON	23		2 :::	50	10	10		15,000	500	500	Y/S	2	546	S-2	<u>~</u>	500	Y/S	
LAKE PARK	24	\$ <b></b> €	-	50	10	10	*	15,000	525	525	Y/S	9900	S9#0	350	×	525	Y/S	

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LAMBERTON	20	-	2	50	10	10	-	20,000	650	650	Y/S	-	-	4	-	650	Y/S	
LANESBORO	20	-	2	50	10	<sub>.</sub> 10	10,000	15,000	525		*	*			5:	-	-	
LESTER PRAIRIE	30	22		50	20	10	-	35,000	700	270	77:	.20	WEEK	250	LUMP	700	Y/S	
LEWISVILLE	18	-	-	50	20	10	50,000	50,000	500	-	-	100	WEEK	( <u>≅</u> )	4	500	Y/S	
LOWRY	22		4	50	10	10	_ 1	22,000	550	100	Y/S	-	# ≥	:#C	*	550	Y/S	
LUTSEN	15	-	-	50	10	10	-	20,000	600	600	Y/S		* "	:20	₩.	600	Y/S	
MADELIA	27	- 4	5	50	10	10	-	100,000	700	600	Y/S	₹ <b>.</b>	-		8	700	Y/S	
MADISON	24	4	1	50	10	10	35,000	35,000	800	800	Y/S	10	DAY	-4	2	-	-	
MADISON LAKE	23	0.26	6	50	10	10	-	25,000	700	-	-	-	-	(#F)	-	700	Y/S	
MAHNOMEN	23		3	50	10	10	-	250,000	800	800	Y/S	•	940	2 <del>(**</del> 2)	77.	800	Y/S	
MAPLE LAKE	32	-	8.	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	850	850	Y/S	( <del></del>	- (#)		=	850	Y/S	
MAPLEVIEW	17	-	-	50	20	5	20,000	20,000	500	500	Y/S		•		ĕ	500	Y/S	
MARBLE	22	-	2	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	850	850	Y/S	10	WEEK		₩.	850	Y/S	
MAYNARD	19		1	50	10	10	75,000	75,000	600	600	Y/S	(4)	2.0	100	*	150	Y/S	
MCDAVITT	20		6	50	10	10	20,000	20,000	700	700	Y/S	3,900	(#0)	587	=	700	Y/S	
MELROSE	30	50	5	50	10	10	-	250,000	900	900	Y/S	350	20	-	€:	900	Y/S	
MENAHGA	20	4	3	55	10	10	-	100,000	750	750	Y/S	-		250	Y/S	750	Y/S	
MILTONA	21	: <del></del> );	4	50	10	10	-	15,000	500	500	Y/S	548		-	-	500	Y/S	
MINNEOTA	26	-	3	50	10	10	-	40,000	745	745	Y/S	25	WEEK	-	-	745	Y/S	
MISSION TWP	13		3	50	5	5	10,000	10,000	850	850	Y/S	3,00		-	-	850	Y/S	
MONTGOMERY	30	<b>2</b> 0	5	55	10	10	200,000	200,000	900	-	-		•	-	-	900	Y/S	
MOOSE LAKE	25	540	4	50	10	10	30,000	30,000	750	750	Y/S	(金)	* 0	200	LUMP	750	Y/S	
MORTON	21	9-01	7	50	10	5	-	50,000	560	560	Y/S		(40)	3.00		560	Y/S	
NEVIS	23		1	50	10	10	5,000	40,000	750	750	Y/S	> ∞		3.00		750	Y/S	
NEW GERMANY	24		3	50	10	10	-	30,000	900	900	Y/S			-	3	900	Y/S	
NEW RICHLAND	23	123	2	50	10	10	A -	25,000	700	700	Y/S	•	•		-	700	Y/S	
NEW YORK MILLS	22	140	2	50	10	10	-	15,000	650	650	Y/S	•		(1 <del>4</del> )	•	650	Y/S	
NICOLLET	21	100	3	50	5	5	-	30,000	800	-	-			, S#3	*	-	-	
NORW /YOUNG AMER	35	3.00	13	50	10	10	-	60,000	925	925	Y/S	(€)	<u>/</u> ≛:	S.	-	925	Y/S	
OGILVIE	22	-	1	50	10	10	-	100,000	500	500	S Y/S		150	-	<u>:</u>	500	Y/S	
OLIVIA	24	-	3	50	10	10	- 7	50,000	850	850	Y/S		•	-	( <b>4</b> )	850	Y/S	
ORONOCO	17	140	_	50	10	10	-	15,000	500	-	-	•	•		19	500	Y/S	
ORR	16	200	-	50	10	10	-	10,000	650	650	Y/S	190	(*)	3€:		650	Y/S	
ORTONVILLE	30	:=::	4	50	10	10	-	100,000	800	800	Y/S	3.00	( <del>),</del>			800	Y/S	
OTTERTAIL	28	-	5	50	10	10	-	25,000	500	500	Y/S	( <b>*</b> )	3.5		•	500	Y/S	
PENNOCK	19	*	5	50	10	10	-	20,000	600	600	Y/S		•	7200	-	600	Y/S	
PILLAGER	19	:#X	5	50	10	10	-	25,000	800	800	Y/S	12		7 e - 1	(*)	800	Y/S	
PLATO	26	110	5	50	5	5	-	50,000	913	913	Y/S		300	100		913	Y/S	
PRESTON	24	-	2	50	10	10	-	25,000	750	750	Y/S		500	9.50	200	750	Y/S	
RANDALL	25	-	1	50	10	10	-	40,000	750	750	Y/S	1.75	-	•	~	750	Y/S	
DAYMACAID	19	1	2	50	10	10	-	15,000	525	525	Y/S	-	120		540	525	Y/S	

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		Num	ber of Me	embers	Minimum		um Years	Fait Performa			Long- Disal		Short- Disal		Fune Bene		Surv	
	Name of Association	Active		Deferred	Retirement Age	Active Service	Active Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Pension Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре
	RENVILLE	24	: <del>*</del> :	1	50	10	10		20,000	700	700	Y/S	-	- Typu	-	- 1,700	700	Y/S
	RICE	19	0+0	3	50	5	5	_ 33	20,000	550	550	Y/S	200		(E)		550	1/S Y/S
	RICHMOND	24	-	2	50	10	10	200,000	200,000	750	750	Y/S	1 2			-	750	1/S Y/S
	ROCKVILLE	25	-	3	50	20	10		30,000	775	775	Y/S	30	DAY	-	- 0	775	1/S Y/S
	RUTHTON	12	349	4	- 50	10	10	_:1	15,000	500	,,,	-	-	DAT	(**)		500	1/S Y/S
	SABIN-ELMWOOD	15	(40)	× 7	50	10	10	12,500	12,500	600	600	Y/S	200	150			600	Y/S
	SACRED HEART	25	7-3	4.	50	10	10	12,000	20,000	560	-	-	-	(E)		- 5	560	Y/S
	SAUK CENTRE	28		2	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	975	975	Y/S	9-0			- C	975	1/S Y/S
	SCANDIA VALLEY	18	: <u>=</u> ()	1	50	10	10	20,000	30,000	800	800	Y/S			-	-	800	1/S Y/S
	SCANLON	15	540	7	50	10	10	15,000	15,000	800	-	-		(55) (55)	20	-	800	Y/S
	SCHROEDER	10	o <u>⇒</u> 11	4	50	10	10	15,000	15,000	800	800	Y/S		:550 5 <u>4</u> 0	(5°)	- R - 12	800	Y/S
	SEBEKA	20	:=1	2	50	10	10	-	30,000	850	850	Y/S	-	-	240-	-	850	1/S Y/S
	SHERBURN	22	-	2	50	10	10	-	150.000	850	850	Y/S	75	WEEK		-		
	SILVER BAY	22		4	50	10	10	_	30,000	800	800	Y/S		VACEL		=	850	Y/S
	SILVER LAKE	28	-	4	50	10	10	_	25,000	550	550	Y/S	20	201	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	1 = 7.7	800	Y/S
	SOLWAY TWP	14	-	5	50	10	° 10	10,000	12,500	550	550	Y/S			•	7.	550	Y/S
	SOUTH HAVEN	20		1	50	5	5	20,000	30,000	600	600		¥:	-		-	550	Y/S
	SPRING GROVE	25	2 W	4	50	10	10	20,000				Y/S		5414	*	-	600	Y/S
	SPRING GROVE	23 24	-	4	50 50	5	5	~	20,000	550	-	-	20	DAY	- <del></del>	•	550	Y/S
	SPRING VALLEY SPRINGFIELD	2 <del>4</del> 25	-	4	50 50	ວ 10	=	-	50,000	885	885	Y/S	7	7.		45	885	Y/S
		25 25					10	-	50,000	850	850	Y/S	15	DAY	-	( a )	850	Y/S
	SAINT CHARLES			3	50	10	10	-	50,000	900	900	Y/S	-	-	<b>⊕</b> 0	( <u>-</u>	900	Y/S
	SAINT CLAIR	24	•	7	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	800	800	Y/S	<del>=</del>	*	: <del>**</del> )	0.00	800	Y/S
	SAINT STEPHEN	23	-	2	50	10	10		50,000	850	850	Y/S	ল	÷	· •	S#1	850	Y/S
S	STACY-LENT	28	-	5	50	10	10	-	25,000	750	750	Y/S				•	750	Y/S
	STARBUCK	23	~	1	50	10	□10 	-	20,000	550	550	Y/S	-	-	-		550	Y/S
	STEWART -	22	*	4	50	10	10	-	34,000	900	900	Y/S	+		-		900	Y/S
	STEWARTVILLE	28		2	50	10	10	-	40,000	975	975	Y/S	*	<b>₩</b>	·		975	Y/S
	TACONITE	14	2	4	50	10	10	-	15,000	600	- 1.7	-	5	DAY	=	5.5	600	Y/S
	THOMSON	33	-	3	50	10	10	-	40,000	900	-	•	8		-	•	900	Y/S
	TRIMONT	24	*	5	50	10	10	-	25,000	· 700 _	700	Y/S	-	9	<u> </u>	-	700	Y/S
	TRUMAN	25	#1	1	50	10	10	-	25,000	650	650	Y/S	*	~	~	123	650	Y/S
	TWIN VALLEY	24		6	50	10	10		50,000	500	500	Y/S	-	4	*		500	Y/S
	TYLER	23	-	2	50	10	10	·	25,000	500	500	Y/S	Ŧ.	5		(#3	500	Y/S
	VERNDALE	22	-	3	50	5	5	40,000	40,000	900	900	Y/S		•		7	900	Y/S
	WALDORF	26	-	5	50	10	10_		50,000	500	( iii)	440	12	-	<u> </u>	320	500	Y/S
	WARBA-FEELY-SAGO	15	369	1	50	15	5	-	10,000	500	-	( <b>-</b> 0)		1948	Δ.	343	500	Y/S
	WARROAD	29		-	50	10	10	15,000	15,000	-550	550	Y/S	000	::	#:	3 <del>4</del> (6)	550	Y/S
	WATERVILLE	20		2	50	10	5	-	25,000	800	800	Y/S	8 <del>.0</del> 8				800	Y/S
	WATKINS	25	200	-	50	10	10	- 1	25,000	625	625	Y/S	-	-		-,	625	Y/S
	WATSON	15		1	50	10	10	-	20,000	600	600	Y/S		_	7/42	-	600	Y/S
	WELCOME	22	: <del>*</del> :	2	50	10	10	100,000	100,000	600	600	Y/S	(≆)	24	1( <del>4)</del>	4	600	Y/S

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	Num	ber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim	um Years Active	Fait Performa	hful nce Bond	Pension	Long- Disab		Short- Disal		Fune Ben		Survi		
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Wembership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	FC
WEST CONCORD	23	120	2	50	5	5	40,000	40,000	650	650	Y/S	•	7	-51		650	Y/S	•
WESTBROOK	20	<b>34</b> 0	1	50	10	10	-	15,000	550	8	22	-	-		<u> 2</u>	550	Y/S	
WINNEBAGO	21	₩.	4	50	10	10	-	20,000	625	625	Y/S	<b>24</b> 5	343	243	-	625	Y/S	
WOLF LAKE	21	(#J)	5	55	10	10	-	20,000	550	-	-	30	DAY	1,000	LUMP	550	Y/S	
WYKOFF	18	•	2	50	10	10	-	25,000	600	600	Y/S		:#S		=	600	Y/S	
WYOMING	28	-	2	50	10	10	25,000	25,000	500	500	Y/S	ş/.	<b>₩</b>	-	-	500	Y/S	
ZUMBRO FALLS	20	( <del>4</del>	1	50	10	10	-	25,000	· 750	750	Y/S	34	•	123	22	500	Y/S	
Lump Sum - \$1,000 or	more,	but les	s than \$1	,500 per ye	ar of ser	vice				٥								
AITKIN	32		-1	50	10	10		50,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S				-	1,100	V/6	
AURORA	25		5	50 50	10	10	2	500,000	1,100	1,300	Y/S		S#25	4 576	=	1,300	Y/S Y/S	
BELLE PLAINE	27		3	50	10	10	30,000	45,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S		(表) (2)	( <del>**</del> /)	2	1,100	Y/S	
BIG LAKE	29	_	5	50	5	5	30,000	40,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S		-	- 5	- 5	1,300	Y/S	
BIWABIK	20	_	2	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	-			-	1,400	Y/S	
BLOOMING PRAIRIE	27	- 6	2	50	10	10	2	50,000	1,075	1,400	Y/S	-	100			1,075	1/S Y/S	
BLUE EARTH	30	2	1 100	50	10	10	2	100,000	1,250	1,250	Y/S	r -	250		9ê	1,250	1/S Y/S	
BOVEY	18	Ū	3	50	10	10	-	25,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	- 6	1200	:50°	-	1,000	Y/S	
BRECKENRIDGE	30		4	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	- 5	DAY	-20	-	1,000	Y/S	
CALUMET	16	-	5	50	10	10	25,000	25,000	1,000	1,000	-	-	DAT	-		1,000	Y/S	
CANBY	23	5 2	6	50	10	10	60,000	60,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	-	200	200		1,200	Y/S	
CANNON FALLS	30	3 2	1	50	10	10	00,000	100,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	2	77.1 (G)	(D)	(45)	1,200	Y/S	
CARLOS	23	_	6	50	10	10		55,000	1,250	1,250	Y/S		- 5		-	1,250	Y/S	
CARLTON	22	_	6	50	10	10	200,000	200,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	Ū	-		-	1,300	Y/S	
CENTER CITY	22	-	3	50	10	10	5.000	25.000	1,000	1,000	Y/S		-		-	1,000	Y/S	
CLEARBROOK	18	20	5	50	10	10	5,000	40,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S	E 2	6	2	::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	1,100	Y/S	
COKATO	23	2	3	50	5	5	2 4	100,000	1,700	1,700	Y/S	8	- E		676 7 <b>4</b> 7	1,100	Y/S	
COOK	20	Ū	-	50	20	10		40,000	1,400	1,200	-	_	ā	Ī		1,400	Y/S	
CROOKSTON	28		6	55	10	10	-	70,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	-	-	Ž.		1,400	Y/S	
DAWSON	25	15	4	50	5	5	45,000	50,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	9.0				1,250	Y/S	
DEER RIVER	24	75	3	50	10	10	45,000	35,000	1,250	1,250	1/S Y/S	51 15 25	:3 ==	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	72	1,250	Y/S	
DODGE CENTER	19	7.55	-	50	10	10	250,000	250,000		1,250	-					1,230	1/S Y/S	
EAGLE LAKE	25		-	50	10	10			1,000			-	-	-	-	•		
FAIRFAX	23 24	. <del>3#</del> 3	-		5	5	•	40,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	-		-	:-:	1,200	Y/S	
		( <del>-</del>	4	55 ·	ວ 10	5 10	N <del>o</del> i	400,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	1.00	-	-		1,200	Y/S	276.0
FOLEY GAYLORD	23		2	50			( <del>*</del>	50,000	1,375	4.050	**************************************	(1. <del>5</del> 5)			: <u>=</u> :	1,375	Y/S	
	25		3	50 50	10	10		60,000	1,250	1,250	Y/S	\$5 AX		-	•	1,250	Y/S	
GREENWOOD	21	-	-	50	5	5	2 <b>4</b> 3	20,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S		-	-		1,000	Y/S	
HACKENSACK	19		1	50	10	10	S = 1	20,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S		#	~ *		1,000	Y/S	
HAYFIELD	24	1.00	5	50	10	10	ST.	50,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	2. <b>.</b> .	<del>20</del> )	Ħ	( <b>*</b>	1,000	Y/S	
HECTOR	23	=	2	50	10	10	35,000	40,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	672	57	72	31	1,000	Y/S	
HIBBING	22	-	5	50	5	5	•	50,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	•		*	•	1,000	Y/S	

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		Num	ber of Me	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim Active	num Years Active		thful ince Bond	Pension	Long-1 Disab		Short- Disal		Fun Ben		Surv Ben		
	Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	6
	HOYT LAKES	18		4	50	5	5	•	1,000,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S			190		1,300	Y/S	
	IDEAL	22	5 <u>4</u>	1 7	50	10	10	÷	40,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	· .			-	1,300	Y/S	
	JORDAN	30	2	1	50	10	10	55,000	55,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	₫			*	1,200	Y/S	
e.	KASSON	27	-	5	50	10	10	12 X	35,000	1,065	1,065	Y/S	4	-		-	1.065	Y/S	
	KEEWATIN	20	**	4	50	10	10	*	40,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	10	DAY	) <u>#</u> 2	×	1,300	Y/S	
	LAKE CRYSTAL	25	7	4	50	10	10	7:	40,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	-	-	:*:S	*	1,000	Y/S	
	LAKEFIELD	25	-	້1	50	10	10	85,000	85,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S			_	-	1,000	Y/S	
	LEWISTON	32			50	5	5	#	50,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	2	2	- 2	-	1,000	Y/S	
	LEXINGTON	16		6	50	10	10	*	50,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	n <sub>e</sub>	2	343	4	1,000	Y/S	
	LINWOOD	24		6	50	10	10	5	45,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	*	-		-	1,400	Y/S	
	LONSDALE	25	-	6	50	10	10	-	40,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S			:**	-	1.000	Y/S	
	MAPLETON	25	2	6	50	10	10	1 de	60,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	3		-	-	1,200	Y/S	
	MAYER	15	=	9	50	10	10	-	30,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	2	2	742	2	1.300	Y/S	
	MCGREGOR	24	-	4	50	10	10		30,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	<b>#</b>	*	; <del>+</del> ::	-	1,000	Y/S	
	MINNESOTA LAKE	24		4	50	5	- 5	18.	50,000	1,050	я	0.50		*		7.	1,050	Y/S	
	MONTEVIDEO	32	*	-	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	100	WEEK	-	4	1,200	Y/S	
	MONTROSE	21	2	1	50	10	10	100	20,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	~	4		12	1,000	Y/S	
	MORA	27	#	3	55	10	10	(#1	250,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	2	2	125	141	1,400	Y/S	
	MORGAN	23	8	1	50	10	10	19 <del>8</del> 3	250,000	1,050	1,050	Y/S	-	-	; <del>⊕</del> );	160	1.050	Y/S	
	MORRIS	31	-	-	50	15	15		55,000	1,125	1,125	Y/S					1,125	Y/S	
	MOTLEY	16	2	10	50	10	10	2 <del>4</del> 3	30,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S	Ţ	8	<u>.</u>		1,000	Y/S	
	MOUNTAIN IRON	20	4	1	50	10	10	5746	40,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	2	0	<b>E</b> (	100	1,400	Y/S	57
	MOUNTAIN LAKE	24	-	1	50	10	10	3 <b>2</b> 0	100,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	#		<b>14</b> 0	846	1,200	Y/S	
50,	NASHWAUK	24	#	2	50	10	10	3 <del>4</del> 5	35,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S		*	4,000	LUMP	1,000	Y/S	
	NEW LONDON	23	-	-	50	10	10	182	30,000	1,125			-	ħ		-	1,125	Y/S	
	NEW MARKET	21		6	50	10	10	40,000	40,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	7 2	-	-	-	1,200	Y/S	
	NEW SCANDIA TWP	25		2	50	10	10	121	35,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	<u></u>	241	=	826	1,200	Y/S	
	ONAMIA	20	360	3	50	10	10	3 <b>4</b> 3	100,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	#:	4	-	0.00	1,200	Y/S	
	PAYNESVILLE	24	P.	1	50	20	10		350,000	1,050	1,050	Y/S		*		•	1,050	Y/S	
	PELICAN RAPIDS	24	1.83	2	50	10	10	25,000	55,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	-	*			1,400	Y/S	
	PEQUOT LAKES	25	-	3	50	10	10		40,000	1,350	1,350	Y/S		-	-		1,350	Y/S	
	PERHAM	35	Vie	7	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	1,150	2	-	74	2.1	-	700	1,150	Y/S	
	PIERZ	27	2.46	2	50	12	12	40,000	100,000	1,000	1.000	Y/S	0≅	2	-	-	1,000	Y/S	
	PINE ISLAND	26	03=0	4	50	10	10	S	100,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S	8 <b>-</b> 8	i.e.	w .55	300	1,100	Y/S	
	PROCTOR	20		1	50	20	10	30,000	30,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S	10	DAY	-		1,100	Y/S	
	REMER	18	-	-	50	10	10	(6)	30,000	1,200	92		3=	110		-	1,200	Y/S	
	RICE LAKE	28	12	2	50	10	10		50,000	1,300	34		22		-	120	1,000	Y/S	
	ROGERS	24	1	3	50	10	:10	(#)	50,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S		(E)	35 ¥		1,300	Y/S	(n)
	ROSEAU	27	: · ·	3	50	10	-10	( <b></b> )	100,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	-	200	-	-	1,400	Y/S	
-	RUSH CITY	30		7	50	10	10	30,000	40,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S	; <b>m</b> .)		-	(#s)	1.100	Y/S	
	SARTELL	30	•	3	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	۰		ě	*	1,300		

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	Nun	nber of Mi	ombore	Minimum	Minim	ium Years	Fait			Long-		Short		Fune			vivor
Name of Association	Active			Retirement Age	Active Service	Active Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Pension Amount*	Disat Amount		Disal		Ben			nefit
SLAYTON	28	120	3	50	5	5	Decretary				Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	Amount	
SLEEPY EYE	32	-	2	55	10	10	700.000	35,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S		· · ·	-	-	1,100	Y/S
SPICER	- 23		3	- 50	§ 10		700,000	700,000	1,450	1,450	Y/S	3.5	-	-	-	1,450	Y/S
SAINT ANTHONY	21	3,00	5			10	1	40,000	1,000	1,000	Y/S			7,100	***	1,000	Y/S
			T .	50	10	10	396	60,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S		•	-	-	1,300	Y/S
SAINT CLOUD TWP	24		8	50	5:	5	:=S	55,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S			-	-	1,400	Y/S
SAINT JAMES	34	-	3	55	10	10		50,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S		-	-	-	1,400	Y/S
STAPLES	25	-	5	50	10	10	-	30,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S		(10)	370	200	1,100	Y/S
TAYLORS FALLS	25	:=00	3	50	10	10	6 <del>4</del> 8	60,000	1,000	<sub>:</sub> 1,000	Y/S		· = /	-	-	1,000	Y/S
TRACY	24	-	5	50	5	5	30,000	50,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	-	-	-	-	1,200	Y/S
VICTORIA	25	÷.	7	50	5	5	-	40,000	1,300	1,300	Y/S	100	-	-	-	1,300	Y/S
WABASHA	27		U1	50	10 .	10	35,000	50,000	1,200	1,200	Y/S	-	( <del>*</del> :	(*)		1,200	Y/S
WAITE PARK	23	34	1	50	10	10	1,000	50,000	1,100	1,100	Y/S	2.00		-	-	1,100	Y/S
WALKER	22		2	50	10	10	140	50,000	1,250	1,250	Y/S	100	WEEK	1,000	LUMP	1,250	Y/S
NATERTOWN -	28	=	5	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,330	1,330	Y/S	328	-	3,000	LUMP	1,330	Y/S
WINSTED	30	2	4	50	10	10	-	40.000	1.000	100	Y/S	-		3,000		1,000	Y/S
ALBERT LEA TWP	15	5	3	50	5	5	2	30,000	1,600	1,600	Y/S	<b>3</b>	<del>,</del>			1,600	Y/S
Lump Sum - \$1,500				,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		0											
BECKER :	34		3				-	•					<del>77</del> 0		原	•	
BUFFALO	29	-	3 1	50 50	10	10	-	90,000	1,900	1,900	Y/S	27		-	•	1,900	Y/S
CAMBRIDGE			(		10	10	<del></del>	250,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	700	Y/S	-	-	1,800	Y/S
CASS LAKE	23		-	50	10	10		60,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	25	DAY	(#)	*	1,800	Y/S
	22	-	3	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	2	(T	2.5	=	1,800	Y/S
CHISAGO CITY	23	-	3	50	5	5	-	60,000	1,950	1,950	Y/S		-	•	*	1,950	Y/S
CHISHOLM	28	Ħ	2	50	10	10	0.8	200,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	-	€	-	22	1,800	Y/S
COHASSET	23	7.5	2	50	10	10	=	500,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	*	2	(m)	-	1,800	Y/S
COLD SPRING	30	•	2	50	10	10	=	70,000	1,550	37.1	-	=		363	-	1,550	Y/S
DASSEL	28	-	6	50	, 5	5	60,000	60,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	5		95.5	π:	1,800	Y/S
DELANO	27	-	5	50	5	5	-	40,000	1,700	1,700	Y/S	3	ŝ	5,	-	1,700	Y/S
LY	28		-	50	10	10	#:	75,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	10	DAY	32/	2	1,500	Y/S
BARRISON	21	1.	3	50	10	10	•	45,000	1,700	1,700	Y/S		w	-	-	1,700	Y/S
<b>IAMEL</b>	25	(A)	8	50	10	10	-	60.000	1.600	1.600	Y/S	w."	-	*	0.60	1,600	Y/S
IUGO	20	12	6	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,600	1,600	Y/S	_	_		-	1,600	Y/S
SANTI	29	(04)	5	50	10	10	160	75,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	2	<u></u>	4 2		1,500	Y/S
ACKSON	28	:: <del>=</del> 0	8	50	5	5		70,000	1,500	-	125	42	WEEK	# 2	) <u>-</u>	1,500	Y/S
E SUEUR	26		-	50	10	10-	50,000	75,000	1,750	250	Y/S	74	V Tabel \		-	1,750	Y/S
INDSTROM	23	198	6	50	5	5	50,500	80,000	1,900	1,900	Y/S			· •			
TCHFIELD	30	V. (2.1)	3	50	10	10	10 <del>0</del>	70,000		1,650	Y/S	:÷ 8	DAY	*	-	1,900	Y/S
ITTLE FALLS	29	i meri	1	50 50		. 10	150		1,650				DAY	<del>7.</del>	3.00	1,650	Y/S
ONG PRAIRIE			4		10	(C)	E0.000	65,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	•		77	-	1,500	Y/S
טוזט דתאותוב	22	-	1	50	10	10	50,000	50,000	1,500	1,500	Y/\$	-	-	427		1,500	Y/S
.UVERNE	37	9	· 1	50	10	10		50,000	1,700							1,700	Y/S

Table 6
Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations
Summary of Data on Relief Association Membership and Bylaw Provisions for the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Nun	nber of M	embers	Minimum Retirement	Minim	num Years Active		thful ince Bond	Pension	Long- Disat			-Term bility	Fun Ben		Survi Ben	
Name of Association	Active	Retired	Deferred	Age	Service	Wembership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре
MAPLE PLAIN	<b>2</b> 9	-1	8	50	10	10	#	80,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	50	WEEK	180		1,500	Y/S
NEW PRAGUE	30	5	3	50	10	10	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	75,000	1,850	1,850	Y/S	:::::		(₩).	-	1.850	Y/S
NISSWA	26	3 <del>0</del> );	-	50	10	10	-	40,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S		_	-		1,500	Y/S
NORTH BRANCH	26	300	7	50	10	10	×	100,000	1,750.	1,750	Y/S	29	2	-	14	1,750	Y/S
OSAKIS	19	20	1	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	100		140	I.e.	1,500	Y/S
OSSEO	24	-	1	50	10	10	-	50,000	1,532	1,532	Y/S		( <b>4</b> )	( <del>-</del> ):	100	1,532	Y/S
PINE RIVER	24	92	4	50	5	5	=	70,000	1,600	1,600	Y/S	352	2.00	6,000	LUMP	1,600	Y/S
SAINT PAUL PARK	27	-	5	50	10	10	#	100,000	1,600	1,600	Y/S	-	360		+	1.600	Y/S
SAINT JOSEPH	29	-	3	50	10	10	#6	70,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S	٠.	200	-	1	1.500	Y/S
SAINT PETER	34	6	3.	50	5	5		100,000	1,800	1,800	Y/S	20	DAY		3000	1.800	Y/S
TWO HARBORS	20	2	3	50	5	5	<u>=</u>	50,000	1,850	1,850	Y/S	1	:•:	-		1,850	Y/S
WACONIA	35	*	6	50	10	10	=	150,000	1,700	1,700	Y/S	-	2	-		1,700	Y/S
WADENA	20	*	-	50	10	10	=:	50,000	1,530	1,530	Y/S	941.		2	-	1,530	Y/S
WAYZATA	29	=	4	50	10	10		120,000	1,500	1,500	Y/S		(#C	<b>:</b>	( <del>-</del> :	1,500	Y/S
Lump Sum - \$2,000 or		but les											2				
CATARACT	36		3	50	10	10	1 <del>-</del>	350,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	3	8	8		2,000	Y/S
EAST BETHEL	24	*	8	· 50	10	10	( <del>)</del>	100,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	-	- ·	2	•	2,000	Y/S
EAST GRAND FORKS	32	==	2	50	5	5	750,000	750,000	2,200	2,200	Y/S	*	<b>4</b>	-	(₩)	2,200	Y/S
HAM LAKE	32		5	50	5	5	100,000	100,000	2,100	2,100	Y/S	*		-	-	2,100	Y/S
HERMANTOWN	37	-	7	50	10	10	10,000	85,000	2,050	2,050	Y/S		5	-	3.00	2,050	Y/S
INTERNATIONAL FLS	24		4	50	5	5	-	65,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	8		•	•	2,000	Y/S
LAKE CITY	22		-	50	10	10	· ·	250,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	=	÷	-	-	2,000	Y/S
LAKE ELMO	24	3.5	3	50	10	10	(6)	150,000	2,200	-		=	*	-		2,200	Y/S
LONG LAKE	27		7	50	10	10	150	500,000	2,021	2,021	Y/S		*	-	<u>:</u> €21	2,021	Y/S
MAHTOMEDI	33	-	6	50	10	10	•	100,000	2,450	2,450	Y/S	***	5 0		-	2,450	Y/S
MILACA	18	-	6	50	5	5		75,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	8	2 E		*	2,000	Y/S
MONTICELLO	29	: <del>-:</del> :	, 1	50	10	10	1 <del>-</del> 2	70,000	2,025	2,025	Y/S		22	-	4	2,025	Y/S
NORTH MANKATO	29	S#3	9	50	5	5	70,000	70,000	2,100	2,100	Y/S	-	**	-	*	2,100	Y/S
PARK RAPIDS	23		2	50	10	10	10,000	75,000	2,100	2,100	Y/S	· (e.	₩.	1.00	<b>∺</b>	2,100	Y/S
REDWOOD FALLS	30	-	5	50	10	10	<b>3</b>	100,000	2,245	2,245	Y/S		100	10.00	<del>-</del>	2,245	Y/S
SAINT BONIFACIUS	18	(4)	2	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	2,000	2,000	Y/S	3€		•	8	2,000	Y/S
THIEF R FALLS FIRE	25		1	50	ା 10	10	3#31	80,000	2,000	500	Y/S	14	DAY	1,500	LUMP	500	Y/S
VADNAIS HEIGHTS	35	350	10	50	5	5	*:	100,000	2,150	2,150	Y/S		8:48		4	2,150	Y/S
WASECA	36	-	5	50	10	10	100,000	100,000	2,100	2,100	Y/S	35	DAY	1,500	LUMP	2,100	Y/S
WINDOM	28	•	3 =	55	10	10	* §	100,000	2,000	1,800	Y/S				5	1,800	Y/S
Lump Sum - \$2,500 or	more, l	but less	than \$3,	,000 per yea	ır of sen	/ice									•		
BEMIDJI PIONEER	39	*	3	50	10	10	* 7	180,000	2,800	2,800	Y/S	3 <b>4</b> 9	iwi .	:#S	÷.	2,800	Y/S

<sup>\*</sup>Pension Amount = Amount is per year of service, except monthly plans where amount is per month.

Table 6

Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations

Summary of Data on Relief Association Membership and Bylaw Provisions for the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Mar	nber of M	embers	Minimum		num Years		thful ince Bond		Long- Disab		Short- Disal		Fune		Surv Ben		Sc.
Name of Association	Active	Mark at the		Retirement Age	Active Service	Active Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Pension Amount*	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Туре	Amount	Туре	
ELK RIVER	31	4		50	5	5	-	200,000	2,900	2,900	Y/S	(*)		0*6 -0		2,900	Y/S	
FERGUS FALLS	35		9	50	10	10	_	150,000	2,700	2,700	Y/S		· 🖫	32	_	2,700	Y/S	
INVER GROVE HTS	43	12	12	50	10	10	25,000	200,000	2,500	2,500	Y/S	2	200 200	32	2	2,500	Y/S	
LITTLE CANADA	35		2	50	10	10	140,000	140,000	2,500	2,500	Y/S	-	-		-	2,500	Y/S	
MAPLEWOOD	119	200	35	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	2,900	2,900	Y/S	1-1			_	2,900	Y/S	
NEWPORT	23		16	50	10	10	85,000	85,000	2,500	2.500	Y/S		2	12	2	2,500	Y/S	
NORTH ST PAUL	28		3	50	10	10	-	125,000	2,700	2,700	Y/S	320	(2)	72	-	2,700	Y/S	
OAKDALE	47		4	50	10	10	-	150,000	2,800	2,800	Y/S		341	( ac	*	2,800	Y/S	
PRINCETON	36	-	7	50	10	10	-	100,000	2,700	2,700	Y/S	:*:: ::#::		(ie)		1,425	Y/S	
PRIOR LAKE	41	; <u>-</u> ;	7	50	10	10	125,000	125,000	2,600	2,600	Y/S			: ·	-	2,600	Y/S	
ROSEMOUNT	34		.5	50	10	10	-	100,000	2,600	2,600	Y/S		•		хідіг	2,600	Y/S	
SAUK RAPIDS	29		1	50	10	10	-	100,000	2,600	2,600	Y/S	35	WEEK	345	-	2,600	Y/S	
ă																		
Lump Sum - \$3,000 or	more,	but les	s than \$3	3,500 per ye	ar of se	rvice										2		
CENTENNIAL	50	-	14	50	10	10		150,000	3,000	3.000	Y/S		858	25.		3,000	Y/S	
FOREST LAKE	28		3	50	5	5		110,000	3,400	3,400	Y/S		-		3	3,400	Y/S	
HASTINGS	50		4	50	5	5	-	1,000,000	3,000	3,000	Y/S	===	¥.	5945	2	3,000	Y/S	
MARSHALL	45	-	6	50	5	5	300,000	300,000	3,375	3,375	Y/S	25	DAY	1943	×	3,375	Y/S	
OWATONNA	29	390	3	50	10	10	-	150,000	3,000	3,000	Y/S	3 <u>₩</u> 6	19E	( <b>+</b> )	-	3,000	Y/S	
SHAKOPEE	41	:-::	4	50	5	5	150,000	175,000	3,347	3,347	Y/S		:-:		2	3,347	Y/S	
WILLMAR	44	: =:	3	50	10	10	<b>3</b> ,	200,000	3,100	3,100	Y/S	-	•	. 18	=	3,100	Y/S	
Lump Sum - \$3,500 or	more	per yea	r of serv	ice				9										
ALEXANDRIA	30	-	4	50	10	10	-	340,000	4,400	4,400	Y/S	3#3	200	3.€5	*	4,400	Y/S	
BAYPORT	24	-	3	50	10	10		200,000	4,250	4,250	Y/S	690	240	2.00	-	4,250	Y/S	
BRAINERD	39	(=)	3	50	10	10	-	300,000	5,500	5,500	Y/S	12	DAY		¥.	5,500	Y/S	
EXCELSIOR	30		10	50	10	10	2	230,000	4,400	4,400	Y/S	_		92	2	4,400	Y/S	
GOLDEN VALLEY	51	-	16	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	5,500	5,500	Y/S	315	WEEK	1,500	LUMP	5,500	Y/S	
GRAND RAPIDS	25	======================================	2	50	10	10	150,000	150,000	4,000	4.000	Y/S	55	DAY	:00	*	4,000	Y/S	
HOPKINS	36	120	11	50	5	5	300,000	300,000	4,100	4.100	Y/S	5#3	5 <del>*</del> 2		-	4,100	Y/S	
LAKEVILLE	72	-	8	50	7	7	500,000	500,000	4.000	4,000	Y/S	.=.	-	-		4,000	Y/S	
NORTHFIELD	31	-	2	50	5	5	=	200,000	5,500	5,500	- Y/S	20	-	_	2	5,500	Y/S	
STILLWATER	- 33		5	50	5	5	150,000	250,000	3,500	3,500	Y/S	5	DAY		_	3,500	Y/S	
WOODBURY	59	270 227	25	50	5	5	-	350,000	4,000	4,000	Y/S	40	DAY		× -	4,000	Y/S	
										-			74			2		
Monthly Service														v				
CHASKA	39	23	8	50	15	<sup>-</sup> 15	350,000	350,000	20.5	20	MO	-		4,000	LUMP	20	MO	
HUTCHINSON	38	40	8	50	10	10	-	170,000	9	50	Y/S	-	8		2	5,000	LUMP	
					ALC: U					9								

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	0			Minimum	Minim	num Years		thful		Long-		Short		Fun		Surv	
N		ber of Mo		Retirement	Active	Active		ince Bond	Pension	Disab		Disal		Ben		Ben	
Name of Association	Active		Deferred	Age	Service	Membership	Secretary	Treasurer	Amount*	Amount	Туре	Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Amount	Type
MOUND	34	30	7	50	20	20	-	350,000	25.5		5	3.50	~	3,000	LUMP	25	MO
PINE CITY	30	23	2	50	10	10	10,000	80,000	5.83	•	-	7	3.53	1,500	LUMP	-	-
SPRING LAKE PARK	67	37	9	50	15	15	-	500,000	27	27	MO	25	DAY	4,000	LUMP	27	MO
88 41- 1 // C //	<b>&gt;</b>	-A <sup>2</sup>							34								
Monthly/Lump Sum (	-omom	ation		7													
APPLE VALLEY	66	18	-	50	5	5	*	400,000	3,500	9*6	#1	1 <del>4</del> 5		:+:	*	3,500	Y/S
BENSON	31	16	3	50	10	10	=	45,000	800 -	800	Y/S		5.00	5.00	5	800	Y/S
BROOKLYN CENTER	39	30	6	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	5,000		-			2,500	LUMP	26	MO
CHANHASSEN	43	10	5	50	10	10	200,000	200,000	2,700	18	Y/S	5	DAY	2,000	LUMP	2,700	Y/S
DETROIT LAKES	29	11	10	50	5	5	:₩	100,000	2,100	2,100	Y/S	346	:=:	1040	~	2,100	Y/S
EDEN PRAIRIE	79	39	-	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	4,000	40	MO	(#).	( <del>-</del> )	(90)	=	40	MO
FAIRMONT	32	-	20	50	10	10	250,000	250,000	3,500	23	MO	3.50		1,000	LUMP	23	MO
GLENCOE	39	14	4	50	10	10	<u> </u>	75,000	1,400	1,400	Y/S	-	-	•	9	1,400	Y/S
LAKE JOHANNA	65	25	12	50	10	10 =	500,000	500,000	4,100	147	-	80	WEEK	( <b>*</b> )		25	MO
MINNETONKA	71	38	14	50	10	10	1,000,000	1,000,000	4,680	36	MO	5	DAY	6,200	LUMP	36	MO
NEW BRIGHTON	32	26	5	50	10	10		500,000	2,250	353	-	10	DAY	1,000	LUMP	10	MO
NEW ULM	43	22	2	50	10	10	5,000	250,000	2,250	14	MO	.50	DAY	•	-	2,250	Y/S
PIPESTONE	35	11	3	50	10	10	=	50,000	1,100	-	-	35	DAY		2	1,100	Y/S
PLYMOUTH	61	19	14	50	10	10	250,000	350,000	5,500	5,500	Y/S	170	MO	2,500	LUMP	5,500	Y/S
ROBBINSDALE	28	15	3	50	10	10	×	150,000	3,500	. <del></del>	~	50	WEEK	2,500	LUMP	3,500	Y/S
ROSEVILLE	70	44	10	50	10	10	500,000	500,000	2,300	23	MO	10	DAY	4,000	LUMP	23	MO
SAVAGE	41	24	-	50	10	10	e e	200,000	3,050	3,050	Y/S	25	WEEK	5,000	LUMP	20	MO
WHITE BEAR LAKE	41	34	12	50	10	10	10,000	500,000	5,500	-	-	-	# <u>#</u>	2,000	LUMP	20	MO
WORTHINGTON	34	28	3	50	10	10	¥	125,000	2,230	361		-	-	(#):	36	5,000	LUMP

Summary and total data on the 639 plans that are included in this report may be found on Table 1.

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5397		54.00
5487		55.00
5577		56.00

(d) For a relief association in which the governing bylaws provide for a lump sum service pension to a retiring member, the maximum lump sum service pension amount for each year of service credited that may be provided for in the bylaws is the maximum service pension figure corresponding to the average amount of available financing per active covered firefighter for the applicable specified period:

Minimum Average Amount of Available Financing per Firefighter	Maximum Lump Sum Service Pension Amount Payable for Each Year of Service
\$	\$10
11	20
16	30
23	40
27	50
32	60
43	80
54	100
65	120
77	140
86	160
97	180
108	200
131	240
151	280
173	320
194	360
216	400
239	440
259	480
281	520
302	560
324	600
347	640
367	680
389	720
410	760
432	800
486	900
540	1000
594	1100
648	1200
702	1300
756	1400
810	1500
864	1600
918	1700
972	1800
1026	1900
1080	2000
1134	2100
1188	2200
1242	2300
1296	2400

1350 1404 1458 1512 1566 1620 1672 1726 1753 1780 1820 1834 1888 1942 1996 2023 2050 2104 2158 2212 2265 2319 2373 2427 2481 2535 2589 2643 2697 2751 2805 2859 2913	2500 2600 2700 2800 2900 3000 3100 3250 3300 3375 3400 3500 3700 3750 3800 3900 4000 4100 4200 4300 4400 4500 4600 4700 4800 4900 5000 5100 5200 5300 5400
2967	5500
Effective beginning December 31, 2000:	
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- (e) For a relief association in which the governing bylaws provide for a monthly benefit service pension as an alternative form of service pension payment to a lump sum service pension, the maximum service pension amount for each pension payment type must be determined using the applicable table contained in this subdivision.
- (f) If a relief association establishes a service pension in compliance with the applicable maximum contained in paragraph (c) or (d) and the minimum average amount of available financing per active covered firefighter is subsequently reduced because of a reduction in fire state aid or because of an increase in the number of active firefighters, the relief association may continue to provide the prior service pension amount specified in its bylaws, but may not increase the service pension amount until the minimum average amount of available financing per firefighter under the table in paragraph (c) or (d), whichever applies, permits.
- (g) No relief association is authorized to provide a service pension in an amount greater than the largest applicable flexible service pension maximum amount even if the amount of available financing per firefighter is greater than the financing amount associated with the largest applicable flexible service pension maximum.
- Subd. 3a. Penalty for paying pension greater than applicable maximum. (a) If a relief association pays a service pension greater than the maximum service pension associated with the applicable average amount of available financing per active covered firefighter under the table in subdivision 3, paragraph (c) or (d), whichever applies, the maximum service pension under subdivision 3, paragraph (f), or the applicable maximum service pension amount specified in subdivision 3, paragraph (g), whichever is less, the state auditor shall:
- (1) disqualify the municipality or the nonprofit firefighting corporation associated with the relief association from receiving fire state aid by making the appropriate notification to the municipality and the commissioner of revenue, with the disqualification applicable for the next apportionment and payment of fire state aid; and
- (2) recover the amount of the overpaid service pension or pensions from any retired firefighter who received an overpayment.
- (b) Fire state aid amounts from disqualified municipalities for the period of disqualifications under paragraph (a), clause (1), must be credited to the amount of fire insurance premium tax proceeds available for the next subsequent fire state aid apportionment.
- (c) The amount of any overpaid service pension recovered under paragraph (a), clause (2), must be credited to the amount of fire insurance premium tax proceeds available for the next subsequent fire state aid apportionment.
- (d) The determination of the state auditor that a relief association has paid a service pension greater than the applicable maximum must be made on the basis of the information filed by the relief association and the municipality with the state auditor under sections 69.011, subdivision 2, and 69.051, subdivision 1 or 1a, whichever applies and any other relevant information that comes to the attention of the state auditor. The determination of the state auditor is final. An aggrieved municipality, relief association, or person may appeal the determination under section 480A.06.
- Subd. 4. Defined contribution lump sum service pensions. If the bylaws governing the relief association so provide exclusively, the relief association may pay a defined

contribution lump sum service pension in lieu of any defined benefit service pension governed by subdivision 2. An individual account for each firefighter who is a member of the relief association shall be established. To each individual member account shall be credited a right to an equal share of: (a) any amounts of fire state aid received by the relief association; (b) any amounts of municipal contributions to the relief association raised from levies on real estate or from other available revenue sources exclusive of fire state aid; and (c) any amounts equal to the share of the assets of the special fund to the credit of: (1) any former member who terminated active service with the fire department to which the relief association is associated prior to meeting the minimum service requirement provided for in subdivision 1 and has not returned to active service with the fire department for a period no shorter than five years; or (2) any retired member who retired prior to obtaining a full nonforfeitable interest in the amounts credited to the individual member account pursuant to subdivision 2 and any applicable provision of the bylaws of the relief association. In addition, any interest or investment income earned on the assets of the special fund shall be credited in proportion to the share of the assets of the special fund to the credit of each individual member account. At the time of retirement pursuant to subdivision 1 and any applicable provision of the bylaws of the relief association, a retiring member shall be entitled to that portion of the assets of the special fund to the credit of the member in the individual member account which is nonforfeitable pursuant to subdivision 2 and any applicable provision of the bylaws of the relief association based on the number of years of service to the credit of the retiring member.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1999 c 222 art 11 s 1]

Subd. 6. Payment of service pensions; nonassignability. The method of calculating service pensions shall be applied uniformly for all years of active service and credit shall be given for all years of active service, except as otherwise provided in this section. No service pension shall be paid to any person while the person remains an active member of the respective fire department, and no person who is receiving a service pension shall be entitled to receive any other benefits from the special fund of the relief association. No service pension or ancillary benefits paid or payable from the special fund of a relief association to any person receiving or entitled to receive a service pension or ancillary benefits shall be subject to garnishment, judgment, execution, or other legal process, except as provided in section 518.58, 518.581, or 518.6111. No person entitled to a service pension or ancillary benefits from the special fund of a relief association may assign any service pension or ancillary benefit payments, nor shall the association have the authority to recognize any assignment or pay over any sum which has been assigned.

Subd. 7. Deferred service pensions. (a) A member of a relief association to which this section applies is entitled to a deferred service pension if the member:

- (1) has completed the lesser of the minimum period of active service with the fire department specified in the bylaws or 20 years of active service with the fire department;
- (2) has completed at least five years of active membership in the relief association;
- (3) separates from active service and membership before reaching age 50 or the minimum age for retirement and commencement of a service pension specified in the bylaws governing the relief association if that age is greater than age 50.
- (b) The deferred service pension starts when the former member reaches age 50 or the minimum age specified in the bylaws governing the relief association if that age is greater than age 50 and when the former member makes a valid written application.
- (c) A relief association that provides a lump sum service pension may, when its governing bylaws so provide, pay interest on the deferred lump sum service pension during the period of deferral. If provided for in the bylaws, interest must be paid at the tate actually earned on that portion of the assets if the deferred benefit amount is invested by the relief association in a separate account established and maintained by

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         M ..... moves to amend S.F. No. 190; H.F. No.
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    474, as follows:
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         Page 1, after the enacting clause insert
         "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424A.10,
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    subdivision 1, is amended to read:
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         Subdivision 1. [DEFINITION.] For purposes of this section,
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    "qualified recipient" means an individual who receives a lump
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    sum distribution of pension or retirement benefits from a
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   firefighters' relief association for service performed as a
   volunteer firefighter. An individual is not a qualified
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   recipient if the distribution is not subject to taxation as an
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   early distribution under applicable internal revenue code
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   provisions."
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         Page 1, delete line 20 and insert "Sections 1 and 2 are
   effective for supplemental benefit payments made on or after
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        Renumber the sections in sequence.
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## Senators Scheevel, Stevens, Day, Kierlin and Pariseau introduced— S.F. No. 190: Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

T.	A bill for an act
2 3 4 5	relating to retirement; increasing the maximum supplemental benefit payable to volunteer firefighters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424Å.10, subdivision 2.
6	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
7	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424A.10,
8	subdivision 2, is amended to read:
9	Subd. 2. [PAYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT.] Upon the
10	payment by a firefighters' relief association of a lump sum
11	distribution to a qualified recipient, the association must pay
12	a supplemental benefit to the qualified recipient.
L3	Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the relief association
14	may pay the supplemental benefit out of its special fund. The
1.5	amount of this benefit equals ten percent of the regular lump
L <b>6</b>	sum distribution that is paid on the basis of service as a
17	volunteer firefighter. In no case may the amount of the
<b>8</b>	supplemental benefit exceed \$1,000 \$2,500.
L <b>9</b>	Sec. 2. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]
20	Section 1 is effective for payments after December 3, 2001.

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1 M ..... moves to amend S.F. No. 1129; H.F. No.
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- 2 968, as follows:
- Page 1, line 16, before "under" insert "who receives an
- 4 ambulance service personnel longevity award"
- Page 2, line 4, delete "a" and insert "an ambulance service
- 6 personnel"
- 7 Page 2, line 6, after "sum" and insert "ambulance service
- 8 personnel"
- 9 Page 2, line 23, after "payments" insert "or transfers
- 10 indicated in paragraphs (a) and (b)"
- Page 2, line 28, before the period insert "or ambulance
- 12 <u>service personnel longevity awards provided to qualified</u>
- 13 ambulance service personnel"
- Page 2, line 30, after "or" and insert "ambulance service
- 15 personnel" and delete everything after "awards"
- Page 2, line 31, delete "personnel"
- Page 2, after line 36, insert
- 18 "Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- Section 1 is effective on January 1, 2002."

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       M ..... moves to amend S.F. No. 1129; H.F. No.
  968, as follows:
       Page 1, line 23, reinstate the stricken language and delete
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   "20"
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       Page 2, line 1, delete "$2,000" and insert "$ "
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       Page 2, line 5, delete "20" and insert "10"
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       Page 2, line 7, delete "$2,000" and insert "$____ "
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       Amend the title accordingly
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2     968, as follows:
3         Page 1, line 23, delete "20" and insert "__"
4         Page 2, line 1, delete "$2,000" and insert "$__"
5         Page 2, line 5, delete "20" and insert "__"
6         Page 2, line 7, delete "$2,000" and insert "$__"
7         Amend the title accordingly
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HF 968

Senators Johnson, Dean; Johnson, Doug; Samuelson; Tomassoni and Stumpf introduced--

S.F. No. 1129: Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

1	A bill for an act
2 3 4 5	relating to retirement; expanding certain supplemental benefits to ambulance service personnel; increasing amount and limits on supplemental benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424A.10.
6	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
7	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424A.10, is
8	amended to read:
9	424A.10 [STATE SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT; VOLUNTEER
LO	FIREFIGHTERS; AMBULANCE SERVICE PERSONNEL.]
11	Subdivision 1. [DEFINITION.] For purposes of this section,
L2	"qualified recipient" means an individual who receives a lump
L3	sum distribution of pension or retirement benefits from a
L <b>4</b>	firefighters' relief association for service performed as a
15	volunteer firefighter or a qualified ambulance service person
L6	under section 144E.46.
L 7	Subd. 2. [PAYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT.] (a) Upon the
L8	payment by a firefighters' relief association of a lump sum
L <b>9</b>	distribution to a qualified recipient, the association must pay
20	a supplemental benefit to the qualified recipient.
21	Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the relief association
22	may pay the supplemental benefit out of its special fund. The
23	amount of this benefit equals ten 20 percent of the regular lump

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sum distribution that is paid on the basis of service as a

volunteer firefighter. In no case may the amount of the

- 1 supplemental benefit exceed \$1,000 \$2,000.
- 2 (b) Upon the payment by the emergency medical services
- 3 regulatory board of a longevity award to a qualified recipient,
- 4 the board must pay a supplemental benefit to the qualified
- 5 recipient. The amount of this benefit equals 20 percent of the
- 6 amount of the lump sum longevity award that is paid to a
- 7 recipient under section 144E.46, but not to exceed \$2,000.
- 8 Subd. 3. [STATE REIMBURSEMENT.] (a) By February 15 of each
- 9 year, the relief association shall apply to the commissioner of
- 10 revenue for state reimbursement of the amount of supplemental
- 11 benefits paid under subdivision 2 during the preceding calendar
- 12 year. By March 15 the commissioner shall reimburse the relief
- 13 association for the amount of the supplemental benefits paid to
- 14 qualified recipients. The commissioner of revenue shall
- 15 prescribe the form of and supporting information that must be
- 16 supplied as part of the application for state reimbursement.
- 17 The reimbursement payment must be deposited in the special fund
- 18 of the relief association.
- (b) To pay the supplemental benefit to qualified ambulance
- 20 service personnel, the commissioner shall transfer the necessary
- 21 amounts to the emergency medical services regulatory board upon
- 22 the request of the board.
- 23 (c) A sum sufficient to make the payments is appropriated
- 24 from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.
- 25 Subd. 4. [IN LIEU OF INCOME TAX EXCLUSION.] The
- 26 supplemental benefit provided by this section is in lieu of the
- 27 state income tax exclusion for lump sum distributions of
- 28 retirement benefits paid to volunteer firefighters. If the law
- 29 is modified to exclude or exempt volunteer firefighters' lump
- 30 sum distributions or longevity awards of ambulance service
- 31 personnel from state income taxation, the supplemental benefits
- 32 under this section may no longer be paid beginning with the
- 33 first calendar year in which the exclusion or exemption is
- 34 effective. This subdivision does not apply to exemption of all
- 35 or part of a lump sum distribution under section 290.032 or
- 36 290.0802.